

THE EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE.

MEETING :

CANNON STREET HOTEL, LONDON, 21st February, 1912.

PRESENT :

BRIGHTON COMPANY		The RT. HON. LORD COTTESLOE. REAR ADMIRAL THE HON. THOS. SEYMOUR BRAND. MR. VIVIAN ROSE. MR. WALKER (for Mr. WILLIAM FORBES).
CHATHAM	"	The RT. HON. VISCOUNT CHILSTON.
DISTRICT	"	ERNEST LAW, Esq. MURRAY GRIFFITH, Esq. MR. CARTER (for Mr. STANLEY). MR. BAXTER. MR. COOPER.
EAST LONDON	"	WM. MILLWOOD, Esq. MR. LACEY.
GREAT EASTERN	"	LORD CLAUD J. HAMILTON, M.P. The RT. HON. SIR AILWYN E. FELLOWES, K.C.V.O. MR. W. H. HYDE. MR. MOORE.
METROPOLITAN	"	J. LIGHT, Esq. MR. SELBIE. MR. KITCAT. MR. WILLOX.
SOUTH EASTERN	"	WM. MEWBURN, Esq. SIR FREDERICK HARRISON. MR. F. H. DENT.

IN ATTENDANCE :

Mr. PARSONS, *Secretary and Manager.*

LORD CLAUD J. HAMILTON, *in the Chair.*

3004. Minutes.

THE MINUTES of the Committee's Meeting of the 13th December last, having been printed and circulated, were declared correct, and were signed.

3005. Solicitors' Charges, Half-year ending 31st December, 1911.

SUBMITTED Messrs. Bristows' Bills of Costs as under :—

	Amount.	"Out of Pocket."
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Rating Appeals <i>re</i> Quarter Sessions and preparation for Divisional Court	254 7 9	148 3 2
Claim <i>re</i> Parker	23 8 0	3 12 0
<i>Re</i> Land Values	1 10 0	
Prosecutions <i>less</i> recovered	2 17 2	18 2
Sundries	3 13 4	
	<u>£284 16 3</u>	

Of which "Out of Pocket" £152 13 4

RESOLVED—

That these be scrutinised by the Chairman, and if approved, to be paid.

REPORTED—

That the amount of taxed costs recovered from the Borough of Stepney is £256. 10s. 1d.

That the £300 deposited as security for costs (M. 2928) when appealing at Quarter Sessions had been recovered, but would have to be again deposited in Divisional Court.

3006. Parliamentary.

SUBMITTED Messrs. Bristow's Sessional Report, that they had examined the Private Bills which have been lodged in Parliament for this Session, and that they found none affecting the property and rights of the East London Company or Joint Committee, except the Great Eastern Co.'s Bill, which contains provisions for carrying out the electrification of East London Railway.

3007. Rent of Line, due 1st April, 1912.

RESOLVED—

That £15,000, the half-year's rent, be paid to the East London Company on the 1st April next, each of the Lessee Companies being hereby requested to contribute £2,000 (Two Thousand Pounds) towards such payment, but without prejudice to its share of responsibility under the Lease.

3008. Electrification. Parliamentary.

Read letter from Mr. Moore, solicitor to the Great Eastern Co., enclosing a print of the Great Eastern Railway Bill, showing the Lord Chairman's remarks on pages 38 and 39. Enclosing also :—

A. Draft clause which the Brighton Co. ask shall be inserted in the Bill for the protection of that Company

B. Draft clause with regard to steam traction, for the protection of all the Lessee Companies.

C. Suggested amendments for sub-clause 4 of Article 1 of the Agreement (page 68 of the Bill).

He also reported that the London County Council have deposited a petition against the Bill to obtain clauses for the protection of their Tramways.

RESOLVED—

That the above-mentioned clauses, &c., are referred to the General Managers and Solicitors, to be dealt with promptly.

3009. Electrification. Works.

RESOLVED—

That work should be commenced forthwith.

3010. Electrification. Tenders. (2995.)

REPORTED—

That the tenders received had been opened by Sir Ailwyn Fellowes and Col. A. Durand (Director of East London Railway Co.), and examined by the Engineers, whose report is appended.

The Engineers' report was discussed, together with item 2 of General Managers' report (appended).

Mr. Selbie reported the result of his interview with the Board of Trade, who would not forego their conditions for doing without the 13 track circuits mentioned.

APPROVED that the £3,900 in respect of the above be expended, and that the £600 in respect of cross-over road at Shoreditch be saved.

The subject of the bonding of "Mansell" wheels was mentioned and left as recommended in item 7 of General Managers' report.

RESOLVED—

That the Tenders be accepted as recommended by the Engineers.

3011. Electrification. Lifts at Wapping Station. (2979 and 2995).

The General Managers' recommendation was approved.

(Item 4 General Managers' Report appended).

3012. Electrification. New Station. (2995).

The General Managers' recommendation was approved.

(Item 1 General Managers' Report appended).

3013. Electrification. Revision of E.L. Local Fares. (2995).

After discussion the whole of this matter was deferred.

3014. Electrification. Sub-Station at Deptford Road Junction.

Mr. Dent informed the Committee that the South Eastern Company would accept £375, and Solicitor's and Surveyor's usual charges, for the piece of land at this site.

RESOLVED—

That this offer is accepted, and the purchase to be carried out.

3015. Claim. (2981).

REPORTED—
That Messrs. Bristows had settled "Parker's" claim for £25, including costs.

3016. Prosecution.

REPORTED—
That on 2nd January a passenger was convicted of assault on staff at Shadwell Station and fined 20s. or 14 days.

3017. Accident.

REPORTED—
That on 13th January a porter injured his hand while coupling up at Shoreditch Station.
Reported to Board of Trade.
No claim for compensation.

3018. Meetings, 1912.

The following dates were fixed for the Committee's meetings in 1912:—

April 17th, 1912.
July 10th, "
October 23rd, "
December 11th, "

all being Wednesdays, at 2.30 p.m.

The Chairman of the last meeting to call an interim meeting if it is considered necessary.

3019. Traffic Receipts.

SUBMITTED the following figures of Committee's earnings rendered by Railway Clearing House:—

October, 1911.			
Passengers:—Local	£1,649	1	4
Through	683	13	6
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	£2,332	14	10
Parcels, "H. C. and D." . . .		92	5 4
Goods and Live Stock		881	16 3
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	£3,306	16	5

In addition—Coal Account, £218 8 3

November, 1911.			
Passengers:—Local	£1,536	13	0
Through	573	7	6
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	£2,110	0	6
Parcels, "H. C. and D." . . .		79	5 4
Goods and Live Stock		825	11 2
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	£3,014	17	0

In addition—Coal Account, £234 15 2

October, 1910.			
	£1,670	0	4
	914	17	7
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	£2,584	17	11
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	£3,471	1	4

In addition—Coal Account £167 4 0

November, 1910.			
	£1,566	19	2
	819	13	5
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	£2,386	12	7
		75	7 10
		829	11 3
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	£3,291	11	8

In addition—Coal Account £238 3 5

3020. Claims of Lessee Companies against Committee.

SUBMITTED the following Statement:—

	£	s.	d.
Brighton Company—Running Expenses, December and January, and Junctions	1,847	4	11
South Eastern Company—Disbursements to 27th January, and running December and January	3,208	17	1
Great Eastern Company—Running Expenses, December and January, and Junction's expenses	676	11	10
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	£5,732	13	10

RESOLVED—

That these claims be paid in full, subject, in the case of the South Eastern Company's claim, to the audit of the Brighton Company.

3021. Bankers' Pass Books SUBMITTED, with Bankers' Statement, showing credit balances to date:—

Deposit Account	£4,000	0	0
Current "	£3,475	1	6

3022. Cheques Signed for £8,030 8 10, Cheques for £1,335 4 11 (Wages, Rates, Gas, &c.) reported signed since last meeting.

3023. Return of Receipts and Passengers.

Submitted the following Statements:—

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR DECEMBER, 1911, IN COMPARISON WITH DECEMBER, 1910.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & B. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	December, 1911.	December, 1910.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New Cross, S.E.R.	194 1 5	...	...	66 2 5	8 11 8	5 10 5	23 7 8	11 6 8	309 0 3	355 18 4
Do. L.B.S.C.	324 0 6	...	...	15 9 5	5 18 10	4 5 5	43 9 4	66 9 5	459 12 11	398 13 4
Old Kent Road	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37 7 7
Surrey Docks	346 19 11	18 8 10	18 3 0	55 15 7	21 15 2	27 18 0	37 15 3	33 2 7	559 18 4	720 4 2
Rotherhithe	136 5 1	4 16 9	3 12 6	28 12 9	18 9 5	18 13 8	13 19 1	10 16 2	235 5 5	329 15 2
Wapping	101 7 9	2 12 6	3 12 0	9 10 6	9 9 3	12 16 11	8 9 11	3 1 2	151 0 0	145 2 8
Shadwell	228 4 10	15 4 8	10 10 1	3 10 0	2 11 6	5 4 4	2 6 11	14 17 6	282 9 10	291 15 2
Whitechapel	303 13 1	27 2 4	11 4 10	...	...	...	...	0 9 10	342 10 1	361 8 6
Shoreditch	103 0 5	4 15 1	0 11 10	0 0 3	0 2 6	0 4 2	1 14 5	0 3 2	110 11 10	135 11 3
Totals, Dec., 1911.	1,737 13 0	73 0 2	47 14 3	179 0 11	66 18 4	74 12 11	131 2 7	140 6 6	2,460 8 8	...
Do. Dec., 1910.	1,820 8 7	163 6 5	54 3 8	230 6 7	128 18 0	106 19 7	111 2 4	153 11 0	...	2,768 16 2

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR JANUARY, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH JANUARY, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & B. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	January, 1912.	January, 1911.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New Cross, S.E.R.	194 8 1	...	...	46 1 10	8 5 8	3 17 3	19 5 5	7 1 6	278 19 0	347 11 3
Do. L.B.S.C.	326 17 11	...	...	12 7 10	5 15 7	5 0 11	29 14 2	34 15 0	414 11 5	557 14 0
Old Kent Road	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	39 11 1
Surrey Docks	336 18 10	15 19 9	15 17 5	51 1 4	24 17 11	29 6 3	29 4 11	24 9 7	527 16 0	652 10 2
Rotherhithe	130 19 4	4 17 10	5 11 6	27 14 9	18 11 2	21 7 9	11 4 0	9 14 10	230 1 2	300 10 3
Wapping	99 9 6	2 4 11	2 14 3	9 18 0	9 1 3	12 12 11	6 10 1	3 4 10	145 15 9	131 2 10
Shadwell	204 0 7	14 11 7	8 4 0	3 1 8	2 14 2	5 16 10	1 18 4	15 2 5	255 9 7	262 9 2
Whitechapel	274 6 7	18 8 4	10 12 8	...	...	...	...	0 9 0	303 16 7	349 9 4
Shoreditch	99 11 9	4 8 5	0 14 2	0 2 5	0 4 2	0 2 1	0 18 11	0 2 6	106 4 5	120 15 4
Totals, Jan., 1912.	1,666 12 7	60 10 10	43 14 0	160 7 10	69 9 11	78 4 0	98 15 10	94 19 8	2,262 14 8	...
Do. Jan., 1911.	1,737 4 5	146 16 11	45 17 7	201 14 10	115 5 3	96 1 10	100 17 10	117 15 9	...	2,561 14 5

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Return Ticket

NUMBER of Passengers booked to, from, and over the East London Line for the months of
July, August, September, October, November and December, 1911.

From	To and over	July, 1911.	Aug., 1911.	Sept., 1911.	Oct., 1911.	Nov., 1911.	Dec., 1911.	Six Months' Totals.	Corre- sponding Totals.
East London Line	Brighton Line	16,664	11,141	6,570	4,760	3,452	3,357	45,944	76,505
" " "	South Eastern Line	2,282	3,053	2,217	1,679	1,524	1,830	12,585	14,789
" " "	Metropolitan	14,812	15,198	13,796	13,077	11,703	13,206	81,792	109,618
" " "	City Lines	6,687	6,343	6,463	6,743	7,161	7,920	41,317	70,771
" " "	District Line	4,548	4,383	4,581	4,728	4,882	4,736	27,858	33,939
" " "	W. & B. ; & L.T. & S.	6,536	6,678	5,107	5,191	4,947	6,768	35,227	35,304
" " "	Great Eastern Line	8,353	9,699	6,367	5,131	4,996	6,012	40,558	46,928
Brighton	East London	7,104	6,511	7,136	6,180	5,729	6,908	39,568	118,041
South Eastern	" "	2,088	2,021	2,275	2,099	2,162	2,297	12,942	13,330
Metropolitan	" "	8,642	8,788	9,148	10,090	8,155	9,438	54,261	70,892
City Lines	" "	5,906	5,560	5,830	6,628	6,310	6,532	36,766	51,886
District Line	" "	3,969	3,893	4,429	4,742	4,578	4,310	25,921	28,106
W. & B. ; & L.T. & S.	" "	22,104	18,791	21,531	23,929	21,854	23,505	131,714	129,230
Great Eastern Line	" "	27,671	22,885	8,695	7,841	5,775	7,106	79,673	75,507
Totals of Through		137,366	124,644	104,145	102,818	93,228	103,925	666,126	870,646
East London Local		266,174	231,893	263,749	282,635	267,891	281,960	1,594,302	1,611,081
Return Tickets are doubled.									
	Totals	403,540	356,537	367,894	385,453	361,119	385,885	2,260,428	...
Corresponding Totals 1910		406,750	397,770	395,208	428,257	407,412	446,270	...	2,481,727

APPENDIX.

MANAGERS' MEETING:

AT CANNON STREET HOTEL, AT 3.0 P.M., *Monday, February 19th, 1912.*

PRESENT:

BRIGHTON COMPANY . . .	Mr. WALKER (for Mr. WM. FORBES).
DISTRICT " . . .	Mr. CARTER (for Mr. A. H. STANLEY).
GREAT EASTERN " . . .	Mr. W. H. HYDE.
METROPOLITAN " . . .	Mr. R. H. SELBIE.
SOUTH EASTERN & CHATHAM COMPANY . . .	Mr. HAYNE (for Mr. F. H. DENT).
EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE . . .	Mr. W. H. PARSONS.

Mr. W. H. HYDE, in the Chair.

ELECTRIFICATION :—The General Managers met as above and discussed the following questions in anticipation of the Committee Meeting on 21st instant.

1. Proposed New Station at Canal Junction.

RECOMMENDED—

That the Superintendents go into the question and report :—(A) whether a station should be provided in the locality between Surrey Docks and New Cross Stations.—(B) if so, which is most desirable site.

2. Tenders.

The Engineers' report (appended) was considered.

RECOMMENDED—

That Messrs. Willox & Cooper be asked to attend the Committee meeting on 21st instant.

It was noted that the £13,502 for automatic signalling includes £3,900 for 13 track circuits asked for by Board of Trade with regard to Goods trains running on East London Line with its steep gradients, without trigger cocks, and continuous brakes. Mr. Selbie explained that these extra track circuits would not be necessary if the Board of Trade would forego the condition that one-third of each goods train should be braked with continuous apparatus, he said he would see the Board of Trade on the subject between now and Wednesday next, if possible. The first-named figure also includes £600 for track circuiting the southern cross-over road at Shoreditch—but as the latter would only be used very occasionally, the necessary protection can be obtained by hand signalling, therefore this £600 can be saved.

3. Site for Sub-station at Deptford Road Junction.

Mr. Hayne undertook to see Mr. Dent, with the view of reporting definitely to the Committee on Wednesday next, the lowest price for the piece of land necessary, to be acquired from South-Eastern Co., at this spot.

4. Wapping Lifts.

RECOMMENDED—

That the Superintendents go into the matter jointly with the Engineers and report on the necessity for the lifts and on the estimates for capital cost, and maintenance, and working costs.

5. Revision of East London Local Fares.

The South Eastern Company maintained their protest against the reductions in the fares between Whitechapel, Shoreditch, and New Cross.

6. Tripcocks.

This matter is mentioned under "Tenders" (No. 2 above).

7. "Mansell" wheels.

RECOMMENDED—

That the Great Eastern Company make enquiry as to the practice of Companies other than the Lessee Companies in bonding their "Mansell" wheels, it being reported that the Brighton and South Eastern Companies bonded all theirs.

ENGINEERS' REPORT.

East London Electrification.—Referring to the tenders for the various materials required for the East London Electrification, we beg to recommend that the following be accepted:—

Automatic Signalling A.C. system...	McKenzie, Holland and Westinghouse ...	£13,502
Guard Timbers	Thomas Gabriel & Sons	£53 1s. 10d.
Fishplates	North Eastern Steel Co.	£11 5s. 0d. per ton
Copper Bonds	Forest City Electrical Co.	2/9 long bonds 2/0½ short bonds
(as per letter dated 1st February)		
Cast Iron Guard Board Brackets ...	Anderston Foundry Co.	£50
Bolts, Nuts and Coach Screws ...	Phoenix Bolt and Nut Co.	£20 10s. 0d. per ton
Insulators	Doulton & Co.	£15 8s. 4d. per 100, positive £13 15s. 0d. per 100, negative
Conductor Rails	North Eastern Steel Co.	£7 5s. 0d. per ton
Cast Iron Ramps	Railway and General Engineering Co. ...	£36 10s. 0d.
Sub-Station Equipment	British Westinghouse & Manufacturing Co.	£5,962
Works for laying Cables	J. Young	£1,554 5s. 0d.

We have to make the following comments:—

Fishplates and Conductor Rails. The cheapest price for fishplates is £7 10s. 0d. per ton, given by Messrs. Bolckow, Vaughan & Co., subject to their tender for conductor rails being accepted at £7 10s. 0d. per ton. It is easily seen that the quantity of fishplates and the quantity of conductor rails at £7 10s. 0d. per ton, and the quantity of fishplates and rails at £11 5s. 0d. and £7 5s. 0d. per ton is much in favour of the latter, and we recommend that the fishplates be accepted at the higher price and the conductor rails at the lower price, and subject to the conditions in their letter dated 3rd February.

Insulators. We recommend the acceptance of Messrs. Doulton's tender at the higher price—

1. Because they agree to deliver within the time, and make only one alteration in the tender, viz., a sentence with regard to strikes and lock-outs. We have made arrangements with Messrs. Doulton to modify this clause as shewn in pencil, and before their tender is accepted they will initial the alteration.

2. Messrs. Bullers' Ltd. price is lower than Doulton's, but there is a question as to whether Messrs. Doulton's pattern is a patent. Messrs. Buller are prepared to contest this, but should the result of an action be not in favour of Messrs. Buller, delivery would be delayed, which would again seriously delay the electrification.

3. Messrs. Buller Ltd., will not undertake to deliver within the time given, which is four months.

Automatic Signalling. Two tenders have been received, one for D.C. and one for A.C. automatic signalling, and we recommend that the latter at £13,502 be accepted. This estimate is considerably higher than the estimate originally made for automatic signalling. This to a large extent is owing to modifications of the plan on which the original estimate was based in order to meet the requirements of the Board of Trade, with regard to goods trains running on the East London Railway with its steep gradients without trigger cocks being provided on the engines, and without continuous brakes on the trains.

Sub-Station Equipment. The tender is in every way satisfactory and we have no reason to recommend other than the lowest.

We also send a statement showing a comparison between the original estimates and the tenders at present received.

Yours faithfully,

P. C. TEMPEST.

WM. WILLOX.

ARTHUR R. COOPER.

Proposed Electrification of East London Railway.—The estimated revised cost of the whole of the work required for equipping the Line for electrical running and substituting automatic signalling for the present manual signalling, is as under:—

	Estimates in Minutes.	Actual figures from Tenders.	Estimates.
Revised cost of equipping Line	£20,500	£17,067	—
Cables	4,000	—	£4,000
Sub-Station	15,500*	7,516	7,984
Renovating Stations	1,450	—	1,450
Additional renewal of Permanent Way, &c.	3,970	—	3,970
Installation of all-electric Automatic Signals and Construction of new Cabin at Whitechapel to replace two existing Boxes	8,150	13,502	—
Metallic-circuiting	1,850	—	1,850
	<u>£55,420</u>	<u>£38,085</u>	<u>£19,254</u>
New Station	£5,500	£5,500	
Contingencies		2,161	
Say, with contingencies	<u>£65,000</u>	<u>£65,000</u>	

* Complete tenders not yet received.

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THE EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE.

MEETING :

CANNON STREET HOTEL, LONDON, 17th April, 1912.

PRESENT :

BRIGHTON COMPANY	REAR-ADMIRAL THE HON. THOS. SEYMOUR BRAND.
	Mr. WILLIAM FORBES.
	Mr. VIVIAN ROSE.
CHATHAM	The RT. HON. VISCOUNT CHILSTON.
	Mr. F. H. DENT.
DISTRICT	ERNEST LAW, Esq.
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	J. LIGHT, Esq.
	Mr. SELBIE.
SOUTH EASTERN	Mr. F. H. DENT.

IN ATTENDANCE :

Mr. PARSONS, *Secretary and Manager.*

LORD CLAUD J. HAMILTON, M.P., *in the Chair.*

3024. Minutes.

THE MINUTES of the Committee's Meeting of the 21st February last, having been printed and circulated, were declared correct, and were signed.

3025. Solicitors' Charges for Halfyear ending 31st December, 1911 (3005).

REPORTED—

That these had been examined by the Chairman, approved, and paid.

3026. Rating Appeals.

Read Messrs. Bristows' report:—

That "the appeals to the High Court of Justice have been lodged, but the different Rating Authorities "have dispensed with requiring the Committee to make the deposit of £50 in each case, so that the £300 "received back from the Court of Quarter Sessions is now freed, and therefore cheque enclosed for that "amount."

"It is anticipated that the cases will come on for hearing soon after Easter."

3027. Rent of Line due 1st April (3007).

REPORTED—

That in accordance with Minute 3007, of 21st February last, the Lessee Companies having each contributed £2,000, the rent due East London Company, £15,000 less tax, had been paid to that Company on 1st instant.

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3028. Accounts to 31st December, 1911.

EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE.

REVENUE ACCOUNT.—1st July to 31st December, 1911.

Dec. half-year, 1910.	Dr.	EXPENDITURE.	Dec. half-year, 1911.	Dec. half-year, 1910.	RECEIPTS.	Cr.	Dec. half-year, 1911.
£2,740 5 8		To Maintenance of Way, Works and Stations	£3,513 13 4	£14,138 11 2	By Passenger Traffic	£12,839 3 11	
790 6 11		" Maintenance and Working of Pumping Engines	613 6 10	717 8 10	" Season Tickets	681 14 5	
10,299 6 5		" Running Expenses: Passenger Trains	9,465 11 0		" Parcels, " H. C. & " D," and excess luggage	673 5 5	
4,616 3 3		" Traffic Expenses (Abstract No. 1)	4,592 5 3	605 19 8			
1,917 14 7		" General Charges (Abstract No. 2)	1,891 0 11	£15,461 19 8			
174 8 10		" Legal Charges	28 5 2				
0 0 0		" Parliamentary	0 0 0	5,631 10 10	Goods and Minerals	5,377 2 0	
0 0 0		" Compensation	26 15 0	110 19 0	" Live Stock	91 14 10	
1,652 13 7		" Rates and Taxes	925 10 1	40 12 9	" Miscellaneous Receipts:—		
27 8 7		" Government Duty	23 12 9	35 13 5	Cloak-room	37 13 11	
2 11 7		" Workmen's Compensation	0 0 0	43 13 3	Advertising and Book-stall Rents	37 0 2	
				213 8 5	Automatic Machine Rents	59 1 10	
					" Sundry Rents	191 11 8	
				683 1 1	" Balance on Working carried down	1,091 14 10	
£22,220 18 5			£21,080 3 4	£22,220 18 5		£21,080 3 4	

NET REVENUE ACCOUNT.

Dec. half-year, 1910.		Dec. half-year, 1911.		Dec. half-year, 1910.		Dec. half-year, 1911.	
£683 1 1	To Balance from Revenue Account	£1,091 14 10		£50 2 2	By Bankers' and General Interest	£35 1 6	
15,000 0 0	" Rent of East London Railway	15,000 0 0			" Rent from Brighton Co., their Act 1898, and Sir Chas. Scott's Award, of land at New Cross	52 10 0	
200 0 0	" Easement Rent, Shoreditch	200 0 0		52 10 0	" Loss on Working	16,204 3 4	
				15,780 8 11			
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ABSTRACT No. 1.

Dec. half-year, 1910.	Traffic Expenses.	Dec. half-year, 1911.
£5,497 18 4	Wages	£3,561 4 4
493 2 4	Gas	449 4 6
12 18 0	Water	15 10 7
130 17 6	Stores and Clothing	145 19 8
71 10 2	Printing and Stationery	52 11 9
41 17 5	Tickets	41 11 10
225 6 5	Maintaining Telegraphs	251 12 0
29 8 4	Advertising	59 12 10
13 4 9	Sundries	14 17 9
£4,616 3 3		£4,592 6 3

ABSTRACT No. 2.

Dec. half-year, 1910.	General Charges.	Dec. half-year, 1911.
£700 0 0	Committee's Remuneration	£700 0 0
29 0 11	Printing and Stationery	38 12 11
596 8 9	Salaries—Secretary and Clerks	609 14 9
155 9 7	Office Expenses—Rent, Gas, Cleaning, Postage, and Petty Disbursements	136 6 1
22 3 9	Fire Insurance	22 3 9
2 10 0	Guarantee Premiums	2 1 8
31 19 7	Superannuation Contributions	32 13 8
15 15 0	Auditors' Fee	15 15 0
354 7 0	Railway Clearing House Expenses	353 13 1
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3030. Electrification. Parliamentary (3008).

Read letters from Mr. Moore (Solicitor, Great Eastern Railway).—That the Bill awaits consideration before a Committee which meets on 16th April, but that the Bill would not be taken on that date.—That so far as clauses relating to the electrification of East London Railway are concerned that portion of the Bill has still to be settled with the London County Council and the Admiralty.

Also enclosing prints of clauses referred to in Minute 3008, now agreed, and clause required by the Admiralty for the protection of the Royal Observatory, Greenwich.

APPROVED.

3031. Electrification. Tenders. (3010.)

REPORTED—

That invitations for tender for "Electrical Apparatus for supply of Signalling Current," had been sent out, returnable on 22nd instant.

RESOLVED—

"That these tenders be opened and decided by the Chairman."

REPORTED FURTHER—

That the present time being considered a good one for purchasing cables, the District Co. is ordering the high-tension cables which are an expense of that Company—and Mr. Cooper is therefore obtaining prices through their Purchasing Department of the low-tension cables required for East London Railway, and purchasing same.

APPROVED.

3032. Electrification.—Works (3009).

Progress was reported as follows:—

Mr. Cooper reported:—

Sub-Station Machinery Contract. Details as regards the lay-out and supply of machinery and equipment have been agreed with the Contractors (British Westinghouse Company).

The Sub-Station building drawings which are dependent upon the lay-out of the Sub-Station are now nearing completion, and tenders will shortly be invited.

Works in connection with High Tension Cables. The work of erecting brackets, etc. has been started upon in the neighbourhood of Deptford Road Station, and arrangements made as regards continuing work in the tunnels during non-traffic hours.

Signalling Equipment. Tenders have now been invited for the Sub-Station plant, which plant was dependent upon the tender either for the alternative current or the direct system of signalling being accepted by the Directors of the East London Joint Committee.

Mr. Willox reported:—

That the manufacture of the whole of the materials on order for the above has been practically at a standstill for some weeks owing to the Coal Strike. I am, however, pressing the manufacturers for early delivery.

Mr. Tempest reported:—

The Permanent Way has been thoroughly overhauled and put into good order between Shoreditch Junction and the northern end of Shadwell Station, the old ballast having been removed and stone ballast substituted along the greater portion of this length.

The new points and crossings for St. Mary's Junction and Canal Junction have been made and delivered.

The new frame for the Whitechapel Signal Cabin and the ground frames for Deptford are in hand.

Preparations are being made at the Thames Tunnel Pumps to connect the Grasshopper Pump up to the Brunel Suction, so as to allow of the removal of the former to give space for the fixing of the live rail on the Down Road.

The replacement of the present steam pumps by an electrically worked plant is under due consideration.

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3033. Electrification. New Station at Canal Junction. (3012).

The General Managers' recommendation to defer this question was approved.

(See Appendix).

3034. Electrification. Lifts at Wapping Station. (3011).

(See Appendix).

The General Managers' recommendation was discussed, and on voting there were five for, and two Companies, the Chatham and South Eastern, against.

It was resolved to defer this subject until next meeting of Committee, *Viscount Chilston and others a Mr. Smith Eastern & Chatham Boards.*
to discuss the matter again, in the meantime.

3035. Electrification. Provision of Cars for Local Services.

(See Appendix.)

The General Managers' recommendation that the Metropolitan Company supply the cars for the through and local electrical services was approved.

3036. Extension of Automatic Signalling to replace "Staff" Working in and out of New Cross, S.E.

(See Appendix.)

The General Managers' agreement to defer this matter was approved.

3037. Electrification. Finance.

RESOLVED—

That Lord Claud J. Hamilton, Mr. Murray Griffith, and Mr. Wm. Mewburn are hereby appointed a Sub-Committee for Finance.

That a current account be opened at Messrs. Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co., named "East London Railway Joint Committee—Electrification Account," to which the Great Eastern Company will pay in as required the money raised for carrying out the electrification of East London Railway, to be drawn upon by cheques signed by any two of the gentlemen above named, and countersigned by the Secretary.

That a charge of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. for establishment, etc. charges be allowed in the engineers' accounts for work done by their respective Companies.

3038. Electrification. Contract for Current.

SUBMITTED Messrs. Bristows' letter:—

That they had received draft Contract for supply of electric current for East London Railway, and suggesting that it should be examined by ~~appointed~~ experts on behalf of the Committee.

RESOLVED—

That an Electrical Advisory Committee, consisting of Messrs. Jones (of the Metropolitan Railway) and Firth (of the Great Eastern Railway) is hereby appointed ~~to consider this Contract~~ *to advise the Committee as may be necessary.*

3039. Accidents and Claims.

Read Messrs. Bristows' report on claim made by J. Jackson for damages on account of injuries by being knocked down by carriage door of train entering Surrey Docks Station.

Read Messrs. Bristows' report on claim made by F. Featherstone for £50 on account of injuries sustained by slipping between footboard and platform when alighting from train at Shadwell Station.

RESOLVED—

That Jackson's claim be left to the Secretary and Solicitor to deal with, and that Featherstone's claim be contested.

3040. Office Staff.

Read medical certificate and letter from Mr. Wallace, senior clerk, resigning on 15th June next, on account of ill-health, after 27 years' service.

RESOLVED—

That Mr. Wallace's salary be paid up to 1st January next.

3041. Meetings, 1912.

The following dates were fixed for the Committee's meetings in 1912:—

July 10th, 1912.
October 23rd, "
December 11th, "

all being Wednesdays, at 2.30 p.m.

The Chairman of the last meeting to call an interim meeting if it is considered necessary.

3042. Traffic Receipts.

SUBMITTED the following figures of Committee's earnings rendered by Railway Clearing House:—

December, 1911.	
Passengers:—Local	£1,661 4 4
Through	659 18 3
	<u>£2,321 2 7</u>
Parcels, "H. C. and D."	98 10 10
Goods and Live Stock	752 0 7
	<u>£3,171 14 0</u>

In addition—Coal Account, £169 19 5

January, 1912.	
Passengers:—Local	£1,648 2 2
Through	631 6 0
	<u>£2,279 8 2</u>
Parcels, "H. C. and D."	64 15 7
Goods and Live Stock	798 10 2
	<u>£3,142 13 11</u>

In addition—Coal Account, £181 7 1

December, 1910.	
£1,732 0 4	
928 0 5	
	<u>£2,660 0 9</u>
	91 15 7
	<u>732 3 6</u>
	<u>£3,483 19 10</u>

In addition—Coal Account £188 3 6

January, 1911.	
£1,718 6 6	
879 16 9	
	<u>£2,598 3 3</u>
	66 7 3
	<u>818 18 9</u>
	<u>£3,483 9 3</u>

In addition—Coal Account £169 1 1

3043. Claims of Lessee Companies against Committee.

SUBMITTED the following Statement:—

	£	s.	d.
Brighton Company—Running Expenses, February and March	1,094	19	11
South Eastern Company—Disbursements to 23rd March, and running February and March	1,944	4	1
Great Eastern Company—Running Expenses, February and March	454	12	3
	<u>£3,493</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>3</u>

RESOLVED—

That these claims be paid in full, subject, in the case of the South Eastern Company's claim, to the audit of the Brighton Company.

3044. Bankers' Pass Books SUBMITTED, with Bankers' Statement, showing credit balances to date:—

Deposit Account	Nil.
Current "	£2,883 8s. 8d.

3045. Cheques SIGNED for £4,463 12 7, Cheques for £14,999 10 4 (Wages, Rates, Gas, Rent of Line, &c.) reported signed since last meeting.

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2016. Return of Receipts and Passengers.

Submitted the following Statements:—

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR FEBRUARY, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH FEBRUARY, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & R. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	February, 1912.	February, 1911.
New Cross, S.E.R.	£ s. d. 172 14 4	£ s. d. ---	£ s. d. ---	£ s. d. 53 8 9	£ s. d. 7 11 4	£ s. d. 3 17 0	£ s. d. 20 11 10	£ s. d. 6 16 3	£ s. d. 264 19 6	£ s. d. 297 11 6
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Surrey Docks	300 9 8	16 2 11	14 18 0	46 0 5	18 8 9	26 18 2	26 17 1	23 7 0	4 3 2 0	560 15 3
Rotherhithe	117 6 10	3 11 6	3 5 9	22 17 0	16 3 6	19 16 10	9 3 7	8 9 2	200 14 2	251 15 11
Wapping	86 0 1	1 19 2	2 0 10	7 17 11	8 15 8	11 7 9	6 17 7	3 1 4	128 0 4	116 12 9
Shadwell	182 12 5	11 12 9	5 12 2	2 17 5	2 2 10	5 6 3	1 6 1	11 14 11	223 4 10	222 19 4
Whitechapel	250 9 1	20 10 11	9 11 0	---	---	---	---	0 5 9	289 16 9	314 4 11
Shoreditch	87 12 11	4 8 8	0 12 10	0 0 2	0 2 10	0 1 6	1 2 0	0 2 5	94 3 4	115 12 1
Totals, Feb., 1912.	1,499 3 1	58 5 11	36 0 7	145 6 1	58 14 2	70 9 2	99 0 5	84 19 11	2,051 19 4	---
Do. Feb., 1911.	1,542 1 3	123 3 5	40 13 11	163 19 1	93 13 3	77 18 4	87 13 1	89 5 10	---	2,223 8 2

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR MARCH, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH MARCH, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & R. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	March, 1912.	March, 1911.
New Cross, S.E.R.	£ s. d. 137 15 9	£ s. d. ---	£ s. d. ---	£ s. d. 38 9 9	£ s. d. 4 16 7	£ s. d. 2 13 6	£ s. d. 16 12 9	£ s. d. 4 7 9	£ s. d. 204 16 1	£ s. d. 323 9 1
Do. L.R.S.C.	296 3 9	---	---	9 10 11	4 3 11	3 1 2	29 2 0	34 3 11	376 5 8	356 5 5
Old Kent Road	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	37 7 3
Surrey Docks	269 12 3	9 6 7	10 14 8	33 8 7	12 0 5	21 14 0	25 12 9	22 6 1	404 15 4	569 8 2
Rotherhithe	101 2 10	2 5 8	2 6 10	18 16 7	11 18 8	14 6 6	7 13 3	6 9 11	165 0 3	231 15 2
Wapping	77 8 2	2 2 8	1 1 7	5 17 0	7 4 6	9 7 7	5 10 1	2 0 4	110 11 11	125 10 9
Shadwell	188 4 5	9 12 4	5 13 7	2 11 7	1 9 5	3 11 1	0 18 10	11 11 6	223 17 9	261 4 7
Whitechapel	260 14 2	13 7 10	8 7 2	---	---	---	---	0 8 4	282 17 6	347 15 11
Shoreditch	74 19 4	4 14 2	0 10 10	0 0 3	0 3 11	0 2 4	0 10 10	0 2 6	81 4 2	121 15 9
Totals, Mar., 1912.	1,406 0 8	41 9 3	28 19 8	108 14 8	41 17 5	54 16 2	86 0 6	81 10 4	1,819 8 8	---
Do. Mar., 1911.	1,634 2 4	129 7 3	26 4 10	164 1 6	74 9 0	87 6 3	98 14 11	100 6 0	---	2,374 12 1

NUMBER of Passengers booked to, from, and over the East London Line for the months of
September, October, November and December, 1911, and January and February, 1912.

From	To and over	Sept., 1911.	Oct., 1911.	Nov., 1911.	Dec., 1911.	Jan., 1912.	Feb., 1912.	Six Months' Totals.	Corre- sponding Totals.
East London Line	Brighton Line	6,570	4,760	3,452	3,357	3,025	2,790	23,954	61,518
"	South Eastern Line	2,217	1,679	1,524	1,830	1,809	1,405	10,464	11,733
"	Metropolitan	13,796	13,077	11,703	13,206	12,036	10,565	74,383	101,345
"	City Lines	6,463	6,743	7,161	7,920	8,292	6,998	43,577	75,972
"	District Line	4,581	4,728	4,882	4,736	5,011	4,467	28,405	55,918
"	W. & B. ; & L.T. & S.	5,107	5,191	4,947	6,768	5,082	5,176	32,271	31,204
"	Great Eastern Line	6,367	5,131	4,996	6,012	5,122	4,616	32,244	37,141
"	East London	7,136	6,180	5,729	6,908	6,392	5,362	37,707	110,218
Brighton	"	2,275	2,099	2,162	2,297	2,211	2,077	13,121	13,661
South Eastern	"	9,148	10,090	8,155	9,438	8,201	7,153	52,185	67,191
Metropolitan	"	5,830	6,628	6,310	6,532	6,575	5,678	37,553	55,824
City Lines	"	4,429	4,742	4,578	4,310	4,457	3,946	26,462	28,767
District Line	"	21,531	23,929	21,854	23,505	23,702	20,180	134,701	131,081
W. & B. ; & L.T. & S.	"	8,695	7,841	5,775	7,106	5,770	4,874	40,061	50,709
Great Eastern Line	"								
Totals of Through		104,145	102,818	93,228	103,925	97,685	85,287	587,088	811,695
East London Local		263,749	282,635	267,891	281,960	278,417	246,433	1,621,085	1,656,549
Return Tickets are doubled.									
Totals		367,894	385,453	361,119	385,885	376,102	331,720	2,208,173	...
Corresponding Totals 1910 and 1911		395,268	428,257	407,412	446,270	423,619	367,418	...	2,468,244

APPENDIX.

MANAGERS' MEETING :

AT CANNON STREET HOTEL, AT 3.30 P.M., Monday, April 15th, 1912.

PRESENT :

BRIGHTON COMPANY	Mr. WM. FORBES.
DISTRICT	Mr. A. H. STANLEY.
GREAT EASTERN	Mr. W. H. HYDE.
METROPOLITAN	Mr. R. H. SELBIE.
SOUTH EASTERN AND CHATHAM COMPANY	Mr. F. H. DENT.
EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE	Mr. W. H. PARSONS.

Mr. WILLIAM FORBES, in the Chair.

ELECTRIFICATION :—The General Managers met as above and discussed the following questions in anticipation of the Committee Meeting on 17th instant.

1. New Station at Canal Junction.

It was agreed to recommend that this question be deferred.

2. Lifts at Wapping Station.

The Superintendents' and Engineer's report as follows :—

At the request of the Great Eastern Company the Superintendents met with Mr. Cooper, the Engineer, to report more fully on this question, referred by Minute 4 of General Managers' Meeting of 19th February.

(a) It was agreed that in view of the 94 steps between platform and street level the provision of lifts is very desirable for the convenience of passengers using this station.

(b) The estimated capital cost is £5,500 (see Committee's Minute 2979).

(c) The cost of maintenance, and inspection, would be (according to Engineer's estimate, Committee's Minute 2995) £75 per annum.

(d) The working cost is estimated at £110 per annum for current,—and one man additional to station staff, £65 per annum.

(Annual cost at £250 per annum, to which would have to be added interest on Capital expenditure.)

Should it be decided to have lifts, the plans submitted by the Engineer appeared to be suitable and to meet the case.

If lifts are provided, it was agreed that two, of a capacity of 28 persons each, would be necessary for the following reasons :—

(1) The closing down of one lift for inspection and repairs.

(2) The possibility of failure of lift in shaft.

(3) The inadequacy of service of one lift.

(4) That there would be only slight reduction in capital cost, inspection and working costs, of one as against two lifts.

In view of the heavy capital cost and working as explained above, it was agreed to recommend that the consideration of this question be deferred until it is seen what is the effect on the traffic of the electrification of East London Railway.

was discussed fully, and it was agreed to recommend that these lifts be immediately provided. The Chatham and South Eastern Companies dissenting and supporting the recommendation of the Superintendents.

3. Provision of Cars for Local Services.

It was agreed to recommend that the Metropolitan Company supply the cars for the through and local electrical services.

4. Extension of Automatic Signalling to replace "Staff" working in and out of New Cross, S.E.

This matter was discussed, and it was agreed that it should be deferred.

End of Superintendents' Report

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EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE.

MEETING :

CANNON STREET HOTEL, LONDON, 10th July, 1912.

PRESENT :

BRIGHTON COMPANY	Mr. WILLIAM FORBES. Mr. VIVIAN ROSE.
CHATHAM	The Rt. Hon. VISCOUNT CHILSTON. ANDREW A. BRAND, Esq. Mr. F. H. DENT.
DISTRICT	ERNEST LAW, Esq. MURRAY GRIFFITH, Esq. Mr. STANLEY.
EAST LONDON	Mr. LACEY.
GREAT EASTERN	LORD CLAUD J. HAMILTON, M.P. Mr. W. H. HYDE. Mr. FIRTH.
METROPOLITAN	J. LIGHT, Esq. Mr. SELBIE.
SOUTH EASTERN	SIR FREDK. HARRISON. Wm. MEWBURN, Esq. Mr. F. H. DENT.

IN ATTENDANCE :

Mr. PARSONS, *Secretary and Manager.*

LORD CLAUD J. HAMILTON, M.P., *in the Chair.*

3047. Minutes.

THE MINUTES of the Committee's Meeting of the 17th April last, having been printed and circulated, were declared correct, and were signed.

3048. Solicitors' Charges half-year ending 30th June, 1912.

SUBMITTED Messrs. Bristows' Bills of Costs as under:—

	Amount.	Out of Pocket.
Rating Appeals	£372 2 4	268 15 8
Claim <i>re</i> Parker.	5 12 4	0 15 6
Settlement (Minute 3015)	25 0 0	25 0 0
" <i>re</i> Featherstone.	39 5 5	9 10 7
Parliamentary	1 6 0	
Prosecutions	4 15 4	
Claims	2 13 4	
Sundries	2 8 4	
Prosecution 4 men at Police Court and Sessions for signal wire stealing less costs recovered	25 2 8	9 12 0
	<u>£478 5 9</u>	

of which "Out of Pocket" £313 13 9

RESOLVED—

That these be scrutinised by the Chairman, and if approved, to be paid.

3049. Rating Appeals (3026).

SUBMITTED MESSRS. BRISTOWS' REPORT:—

The Court of King's Bench has to-day (10th May) dismissed the Committee's Appeal with costs. We shall be able to send you a transcript of the judgment at the beginning of next week.

The Court in effect held that the Court of Quarter Sessions was entitled to look at the Assessment fixed in 1905 and to disregard the evidence offered as to there being no competitive value in the line.

We think it will be wise to obtain the opinion of Sir Alfred Cripps and Mr. Ryde, K.C., as to whether in their view they consider the judgment is right or whether they think there is a prospect of its being reversed if appealed against. We shall be glad to know that you approve of this course.

If an appeal be determined upon notice has to be given within 14 days. The cost of an appeal to the Court of Appeal is comparatively small as there is little expense beyond the Counsels' fees, there being no fresh cases or evidence.

After consulting the General Managers the Secretary instructed Messrs. Bristows to obtain the opinion.

READ Counsels' opinion:—

East London Railway Joint Committee.

v.

Greenwich, Bermondsey & Stepney Assessment Committees.

JOINT OPINION.

In our opinion there is a reasonable chance of success in the Court of Appeal. It is unlikely that the Joint Committee will ever be in a better position than on the present occasion. If the respondents at Quarter Sessions had given evidence (however weak) which was relevant to the enquiry before the Court, the weight of that evidence would be for the Quarter Sessions to consider; but they gave no evidence at all, and the Sessions acted without any relevant evidence of any kind. It should also be noticed that if the Joint Committee acquiesce in the present decision they are rateable at substantial sums when the working expenses exceeds the gross receipts, and they would be liable to the risk of a largely increased assessment should the electrification turn out a success.

C. A. CRIPPS.

W. C. RYDE.

May 22nd, 1912.

On the strength of this notice of appeal was given.

APPROVED.

3050. Rent of Line due 1st October, 1912.

RESOLVED—

That £15,000, the half-year's rent, be paid to the East London Company on the 1st October next, each of the Lessee Companies being hereby requested to contribute £2,000 (Two Thousand Pounds) towards such payment, and without prejudice to its share of responsibility under the Lease.

3051. Division of Responsibility under Lease (3029).

SUBMITTED agreements from all Companies to the figures for half-year ending 31st December, 1911.

3052. Electrification.—Parliamentary (3030).

REPORTED—

That the Great Eastern Co.'s Bill is now awaiting the Royal Assent.

3053. Electrification.—Platforms.

REPORTED—

That as it was necessary to deal with the question of height of East London platforms in relation to "Electrical" Stock at once, so as not to delay Contractors' work, it was considered by the Superintendents of the Line, who reported to the General Managers, and it was agreed that the "Up" platform at Shoreditch, the "Up" platform at Whitechapel, and the "Down" platform at Shadwell be raised to a uniform height of 3 feet from rail level, at a total cost of £412. The work has been put in hand.

APPROVED.

3054. Electrification.—Tenders (3031).

REPORTED—

That since last Committee Meeting, tenders for "Electrical Apparatus for Supply of Signalling Current" had been opened by the Chairman, and the lowest, £298 from the British Thomson-Houston Co. Ltd. accepted, after approval by the Engineer.

That tenders for Sub-station Crane had been received and opened by the Chairman, the lowest, £235 from Messrs. Babcock and Wilcox Ltd. had been accepted after approval by the Engineer.

APPROVED.

3055. Electrification.—Works (3032).

Progress was reported as under:—

Mr. COOPER reports:—

That the High Tension Cable brackets have been laid from the site of the Sub-Station at Deptford Road, through the tunnel between Surrey Docks and Rotherhithe.

The holes for the bolts are fixed right through the tunnels, as far as Whitechapel, and the ducts are in the platforms at all Stations, except Wapping and Whitechapel. The ducts at Wapping are being laid at the present time, and cable brackets are being fixed at Whitechapel between the District Company's Sub-Station and the East London platform.

Arrangements have been made with the Contractors for the actual laying of the High Tension Cable, which will be started upon shortly.

The works in connection with the Sub-Station machinery at Deptford Road are making satisfactory progress.

Mr. WILLOX reports:—

That the manufacture of the materials is progressing in a satisfactory manner and good deliveries are being made. I am about to start the Contractor laying the conductor rails, &c.

Mr. TEMPEST reports:—

That progress has been made on the above work as follows:—

The permanent way has been thoroughly overhauled and put into good order between Shoreditch

Junction to beyond Surrey Canal Junction, with the exception of the lengths through the Thames Tunnel. The old ballast has been removed and stone ballast substituted along the greater portion of the line.

The new points and crossings have been put in at St. Marys Junction, but not connected up to the District Company's lines, as these are still in use as sidings. The new points and crossings at Surrey Canal Junction are now being inserted.

The new mechanical frame and signal cabin for Whitechapel are made, as are also the new ground frames for Deptford: the erection of these is about to commence.

The main alterations necessary to the pump suction pipes in the Thames Tunnel have been made, and the pipe formerly serving the Grasshopper pump has been removed, the Brunel and Grasshopper pumps now being connected to the same suction pipe.

The necessary alterations to the gas services, including the installation of incandescent lighting, at stations are well in hand.

A large quantity of rails, bonds, insulators, &c., has been delivered at Angerstein's Wharf for the line equipment.

3056. Electrification.—Speed Limit on East London Railway.

REPORTED—

That by Minute 362, of 13th January, 1886, the Committee fixed a speed limit of 15 miles an hour between Whitechapel Junction and Deptford Road Station, for Light Engines, Empty Trains, Passenger Trains not calling at all Stations, and Goods, Mineral and Cattle Trains.

Read letter on this subject from Mr. Tempest to Mr. F. H. Dent:—

Electrification.—Speed Limit on East London Railway.

In reply to yours of the 6th instant, re the above subject, I see no reason why the speed restriction of 15 miles per hour through the Thames Tunnel should not be withdrawn when the electrification works have been carried out, and a speed limit of 30 miles per hour substituted for all passenger trains, over the whole line, with the exception of St. Marys, Whitechapel Junction, where a limit of 20 miles per hour should be fixed.

The existing speed restriction of 15 miles per hour must be retained for all goods trains on account of the gradients at each end of the Tunnel, and the danger of couplings being broken consequent upon the driver snatching a train with loose couplings.

The road is laid with 91½ lbs. B.H. rails and broken stone ballast throughout of the same description as that in use on the S.E. section of the main line.

RESOLVED—

That the above is hereby adopted.

3057 Electrification.—Lifts at Wapping Station (3034).

The South Eastern and Chatham Companies maintained their dissent to the General Managers' recommendation.

Whereupon it was resolved that this subject be deferred.

3058. Electrification.—Contract for Current (3038).

Read Messrs. Bristows' Report:—

Electrification—Contract for Current.

The draft Contract by the Metropolitan District and the London Electric Companies for the supply of electric current for the working of the Line was prepared by and submitted on behalf of the supplying Companies.

In accordance with Minute 3038 of the Joint Committee, we forwarded copies of the draft Contract to Messrs. Jones and Firth requesting them to report upon it and advise as to any modifications or additions desirable in the interests of the Joint Committee.

The Contract was also considered by Mr. Tempest who went through it with Mr. A. R. Cooper and arranged with him for some additions and modifications.

Messrs. Jones and Firth's Report on the Contract was supplied to us on the 19th June, and the draft Contract was then revised to embody the whole of the modifications and additions suggested by both Messrs. Jones and Firth and Mr. Tempest and returned to the Solicitors for the supplying Companies for their consideration of the amendments.

The draft is still with them, but we may expect to hear any day whether the supplying Companies adopt the suggested alterations or require any further modifications, and as soon as we do so will let you know.

RESOLVED—

That the General Managers be supplied with copies of the revised Contract, which is hereby referred to them with power to act.

3059. Electrification.—Finance (3037).

REPORTED—

That since last Committee Meeting, the Sub-Committee had met on two occasions, that only such payments had been made as had been considered absolutely necessary, pending the Great Eastern Company's Bill becoming an Act of Parliament.

That the total of cheques signed to date was £2,911 11s. 5d., being for Contractor's work and materials delivered according to tenders.

3060. National Health Insurance Act, 1911.

REPORTED—

That a claim for "exception" on behalf of the Clerical Staff had been sent in on the basis of full pay during first two months of absence, and half pay during the next two months of absence, or not less than the sickness and disablement benefits prescribed by the Act.

APPROVED.

3061. Claim (3039).

REPORTED—

That the action, in the case of F. Featherstone's claim, was tried on 23rd May, and lasted the whole day, resulting in the Jury being unable to agree upon a verdict.

The Plaintiff gave notice for a new trial, which is fixed for 26th inst.

3062. Accidents.

REPORTED.

That on 3rd May, a labourer engaged on Electrification work between Wapping and Shadwell, injured groin and hip.

That on 23rd May, a passenger hurrying downstairs at Shadwell station, fell to the bottom, and was killed on the spot.

That on 4th June, a fitter and his mate engaged on Electrification work at Whitechapel station, slipped when carrying a smith's forge, and were both variously injured.

That on 6th June, a labourer engaged discharging old ballast on Old Kent Road Branch injured his knee.

That on 20th June, a labourer, engaged on Permanent Way work near Canal Junction, was severely wounded in the eye by a piece of steel which flew off the face of his hammer.

REPORTED to Board of Trade.

3063. Prosecution.

REPORTED—

That after considerable trouble four men were apprehended in connection with extensive thefts of signal wire, and prosecuted. One man was committed for trial, and sentenced to 12 months' hard labour, two were sentenced at Police Court each to 3 months' hard labour, and the fourth was bound over for three years.

3064. Meetings, 1912.

The following dates were fixed for the Committee's meetings in 1912:—
 October 23rd, 1912.
 December 11th, "

being Wednesdays, at 2.30 p.m.

The Chairman of the last meeting to call an interim meeting if it is considered necessary.

3065. Traffic Receipts.

SUBMITTED the following figures of Committee's earnings rendered by Railway Clearing House:—

February, 1912.	
Passengers:—Local	£1,414 13 4
Through	526 1 3
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	£1,940 14 7
Parcels, "H. C. and D."	59 5 9
Goods and Live Stock	890 8 8
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	£2,890 9 0

In addition—Coal Account, £157 17 1

March, 1912.	
Passengers:—Local	£1,338 18 11
Through	456 0 7
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	£1,794 19 6
Parcels, "H. C. and D."	62 6 11
Goods and Live Stock	777 9 5
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	£2,634 15 10

In addition—Coal Account, £4 0 0

April, 1912.	
Passengers:—Local	£1,269 11 8
Through	475 8 8
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	£1,745 0 4
Parcels, "H. C. and D."	82 4 6
Goods and Live Stock	643 13 6
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	£2,470 18 4

In addition—Coal Account, £54 5 7

February, 1911.	
£1,468 12 2	
699 5 7	
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	£2,167 17 9
	62 9 0
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	774 3 6
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	£3,004 10 3

In addition—Coal Account, £138 5 8

March, 1911.	
£1,593 10 10	
736 9 6	
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	£2,330 0 4
	73 18 5
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	984 5 9
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	£3,388 4 6

In addition—Coal Account, £178 6 11

April, 1911.	
£1,572 0 8	
743 13 6	
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	£2,315 14 2
	77 0 5
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	790 16 0
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	£3,183 10 7

In addition—Coal Account, £152 10 6

3066. Claims of Lessee Companies against Committee.

SUBMITTED the following Statement:—

	£	s.	d.
Brighton Company—Running Expenses, April, May and June, and Junctions	1,811	17	3
South Eastern Company—Disbursements to 15th June, and running April, May and June	3,204	12	8
Great Eastern Company—Running Expenses, April, May and June, and Junction Expenses	905	11	2
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	£5,922	1	1

RESOLVED—

That these claims be paid in full, subject, in the case of the South Eastern Company's claim, to the audit of the Brighton Company.

3067. Bankers' Pass Books SUBMITTED, with Bankers' Statement, showing credit balances to date:—

Deposit Account	£5,000	0s.	0d.
Current "	£3,066	13s.	9d.

3068. Cheques SIGNED for £7,520 11s. 3d., Cheques for £2,378 4 8 (Wages, Rates, Gas, &c.) reported signed since last meeting.

3069. Return of Receipts and Passengers.

Submitted the following Statements:—

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR APRIL, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH APRIL, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & A. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	April, 1912.	April, 1911.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New Cross, S.E.R.	150 9 3	...	...	37 16 2	4 12 8	4 0 8	16 13 5	5 4 10	218 17 0	332 13 4
Do. L.B.S.C.	254 16 11	...	...	7 12 10	3 5 1	4 8 0	33 5 10	70 19 6	374 8 2	422 4 8
Old Kent Road	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30 4 0
Surrey Docks	256 5 5	42 17 0	18 11 1	36 6 2	10 18 8	24 2 1	29 2 8	32 15 4	450 18 5	637 5 8
Rotherhithe	91 8 6	11 16 10	3 0 8	16 11 4	9 2 11	12 5 7	9 0 7	13 13 1	166 19 6	247 2 7
Wapping	67 15 0	4 7 1	2 9 3	6 1 7	5 8 4	7 5 0	4 12 3	3 10 9	101 9 3	125 5 7
Shadwell	179 9 4	32 12 4	7 8 11	2 9 6	1 1 8	3 10 8	0 18 10	13 8 10	241 0 1	291 16 7
Whitechapel	240 13 4	47 10 9	11 0 10	...	...	...	...	0 10 2	299 15 1	378 11 7
Shoreditch	62 5 8	8 17 0	1 2 0	0 1 4	0 1 3	...	1 1 7	0 4 5	73 13 3	119 16 8
Totals, Apl., 1912.	1,303 3 5	148 1 0	43 12 9	106 18 11	34 10 7	55 12 0	94 15 2	140 6 11	1,927 0 9	...
Do. Apl., 1911.	1,623 8 9	275 2 2	57 1 9	179 4 2	67 11 4	71 9 5	124 6 2	196 16 11	...	2,585 0 8

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR MAY, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH MAY, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & A. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	May, 1912.	May, 1911.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New Cross, S.E.R.	189 7 2	...	...	51 14 5	6 18 5	3 19 0	18 1 1	6 19 0	267 19 1	331 8 10
Do. L.B.S.C.	295 12 11	...	...	11 9 1	3 15 5	5 12 3	53 3 5	66 19 6	436 15 7	380 0 11
Old Kent Road	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34 4 1
Surrey Docks	287 15 4	40 13 5	29 17 9	47 13 8	12 16 7	22 14 7	42 5 11	50 2 10	534 0 1	627 6 1
Rotherhithe	109 14 9	7 2 8	5 18 3	22 19 7	13 17 11	16 11 2	10 9 7	26 8 7	213 2 6	248 1 8
Wapping	77 3 3	6 3 7	2 19 5	7 11 1	8 1 10	9 14 5	4 9 4	3 5 8	119 8 7	130 5 2
Shadwell	170 19 8	25 2 8	12 3 5	4 18 3	1 18 2	5 14 9	2 3 4	16 8 4	239 8 7	310 11 11
Whitechapel	244 17 10	50 8 7	11 18 2	...	...	...	...	1 10 11	308 15 6	467 7 3
Shoreditch	79 2 7	9 16 6	1 6 10	0 3 5	0 1 2	0 2 3	0 13 7	0 6 7	91 12 11	160 3 0
Totals, May, 1912.	1,445 13 6	139 7 5	64 3 10	146 9 6	47 12 6	64 8 5	131 6 3	172 1 5	2,211 2 10	...
Do. May, 1911.	1,695 9 10	398 0 7	43 14 3	175 18 11	64 12 4	83 16 5	99 1 7	128 15 0	...	2,689 8 11

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR JUNE, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH JUNE, 1911.

BOOKINGS TO										TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
STATIONS.	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & B. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	June, 1912.	June, 1911.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
New Cross, S.E.R.	163 16 5	...	...	49 6 5	6 8 5	3 4 8	17 7 1	6 10 2	246 13 2	239 12 5
Do. L.H.S.C.	307 3 10	...	...	13 6 5	3 16 9	4 11 8	54 8 8	101 12 9	485 0 1	583 5 9
Surrey Docks	285 18 8	42 6 0	18 18 2	67 14 1	17 15 9	30 5 10	39 11 3	29 18 8	532 8 6	746 12 1	
Rotherhithe	99 12 10	17 8 11	8 8 7	28 16 2	12 8 6	31 13 11	15 5 10	12 14 8	226 9 5	277 5 1	
Wapping	64 16 2	9 10 6	4 11 10	9 11 4	8 11 6	13 10 6	5 0 7	3 2 6	118 13 11	127 3 3	
Shadwell	144 3 11	25 16 6	13 3 5	15 18 1	1 14 6	5 3 0	1 1 8	18 12 6	225 13 7	237 12 0	
Whitechapel	256 0 9	49 1 6	10 6 6	...	...	...	...	1 5 3	316 14 0	468 17 8
Sherditch	85 15 7	7 16 1	1 5 6	0 3 8	0 2 3	0 3 11	1 11 4	1 9 6	98 7 10	135 13 5	
Totals, June, 1912	1,407 7 2	151 19 6	56 14 0	184 16 2	50 17 8	88 13 6	134 6 5	175 6 0	2,250 0 5	...	
Do. June, 1911	1,599 15 2	429 11 11	101 15 5	236 4 2	63 17 11	88 6 5	180 19 5	325 11 3	...	3,026 1 8	

NUMBER of Passengers booked to, from, and over the East London Line for the months of

December, 1911, and January, February, March, April and May, 1912.

From	To and over	Dec., 1911.	Jan., 1912.	Feb., 1912.	March, 1912.	April, 1912.	May, 1912.	Six Months' Totals.	Corresponding Totals.
East London Line	Brighton Line	3,357	3,025	2,790	1,867	4,478	4,509	20,026	72,596
"	South Eastern Line	1,830	1,809	1,405	1,079	1,498	2,156	9,777	10,932
"	Metropolitan	13,206	12,036	10,565	8,340	7,596	10,266	62,009	88,798
"	City Lines	7,920	8,292	6,998	5,083	4,034	5,618	37,945	60,506
"	District Line	4,736	5,011	4,467	3,590	3,271	3,968	25,043	33,887
"	W. & B. ; & L.T. & S.	6,768	5,082	5,176	4,495	4,346	5,105	30,972	30,911
"	Great Eastern Line	6,012	5,122	4,616	4,210	5,071	5,639	30,670	34,687
"	East London	6,908	6,392	5,362	3,608	7,230	5,631	35,131	108,362
Brighton	"	2,297	2,211	2,077	1,132	1,171	1,613	10,501	12,838
South Eastern	"	9,438	8,201	7,153	6,676	5,820	6,988	44,276	61,768
Metropolitan	"	6,532	6,575	5,678	4,789	3,583	4,603	31,760	46,850
City Lines	"	4,310	4,457	3,946	3,466	3,024	3,509	22,712	26,643
District Line	"	23,505	23,702	20,180	20,338	18,040	20,300	126,055	127,703
W. & B. ; & L. T. & S.	"	7,106	5,770	4,874	5,595	5,092	5,703	34,140	47,369
Great Eastern Line	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals of Through		103,925	97,685	85,287	74,258	74,254	85,608	521,017	757,840
East London Local		281,960	278,417	246,433	225,052	205,628	237,844	1,475,334	1,864,448
Return Tickets are doubled.									
Totals		385,885	376,102	331,720	299,310	279,882	323,452	1,996,351	...
Corresponding Totals 1910 and 1911		446,270	423,619	367,418	395,301	378,145	411,535	...	2,422,288

EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE.

MEETING :

CANNON STREET HOTEL, LONDON, 23rd October, 1912.

PRESENT :

BRIGHTON COMPANY	REAR-ADMIRAL THE HON. THOS. S. BRAND. MR. WILLIAM FORBES. MR. VIVIAN ROSE.
CHATHAM	MR. F. H. DENT.
DISTRICT	ERNEST LAW, ESQ. MURRAY GRIFFITH, ESQ. MR. STANLEY.
EAST LONDON	WM. MILLWOOD, ESQ. MR. LACEY.
GREAT EASTERN	LORD CLAUD J. HAMILTON, M.P. THE RT. HON. SIR AILWYN E. FELLOWES, K.C.V.O. MR. W. H. HYDE. MR. MOORE.
METROPOLITAN	THE RT. HON. LORD ABERCONWAY. J. LIGHT, ESQ. MR. SELBIE.
SOUTH EASTERN	SIR FREDK. HARRISON. WM. MEWBURN, ESQ. MR. F. H. DENT.

IN ATTENDANCE :

MR. PARSONS, *Secretary and Manager.*

LORD CLAUD J. HAMILTON, M.P., *in the Chair.*

3070. Minutes.

THE MINUTES of the Committee's Meeting of the 10th July last, having been printed and circulated, were declared correct, and were signed.

3071. Solicitors' Charges for half-year ending 30th June, 1912 (3048).

REPORTED—

That these had been examined by the Chairman, approved, and paid.

3072. Rent of Line due 1st October, 1912 (3050).

REPORTED—

That in accordance with Minute 3050, of 10th July last, the Lessee Companies having each contributed £2,000, the rent due East London Company, £15,000 less tax, had been paid to that Company on 1st instant.

3073. Accounts to 30th June, 1912.

SUBMITTED the following:—

EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE.

REVENUE ACCOUNT.—1st January to 30th June, 1912.

June half-year, 1911.	Dr.	EXPENDITURE.	June half-year, 1912.	June half-year, 1911.	RECEIPTS.	Cr.	June half-year, 1912.
£3,986 15 4	To Maintenance of Way, Works and Stations	£2,590 16 1		£13,223 10 1	By Passenger Traffic	£10,919 17 9	
700 4 5	„ Maintenance and Working of Pumping Engines	788 6 2		752 5 2	Season Tickets	700 17 10	
10,635 17 1	„ Running Expenses: Passenger Trains	8,367 12 10			Parcels, „ H. C. & D., and excess luggage	404 17 8	
4,741 1 0	„ Traffic Expenses (Abstract No. 1)	4,503 1 10		£14,530 17 6			£12,925 13 3
1,846 0 9	„ General Charges (Abstract No. 2)	1,907 0 8					
949 16 7	„ Legal Charges	178 4 10		5,292 5 0	„ Goods and Minerals	5,717 16 7	
4 9 0	„ Parliamentary	3 11 0		212 6 7	„ Live Stock	145 2 3	
0 0 0	„ Compensation	0 0 0		30 10 11	„ Miscellaneous Receipts:—		
0 0 0	„ Workmen's Compensation	1,000 9 3			Cloak-room	30 17 0	
1,538 4 5	„ Rates and Taxes	21 1 11		39 3 10	Advertising and Book-stall Rents	32 14 5	
26 11 8	„ Government Duty			43 16 4	Automatic Machine Rents	56 10 2	
£23,835 0 3		£19,370 10 7		169 4 9	„ Sundry Rents	182 9 8	
							302 11 3
				3,516 15 4	„ Balance on Working carried down	1,179 7 3	
£23,835 0 3		£19,370 10 7		£23,835 0 3			£19,370 10 7

NET REVENUE ACCOUNT.

June half-year, 1911.	June half-year, 1912.	June half-year, 1911.	June half-year, 1912.
£15,000 0 0	£15,000 0 0	£25 14 3	£23 7 6
200 0 0	200 0 0		
3,516 15 4	1,179 7 3	52 10 0	52 10 0
		18,638 11 1	16,303 9 9
£18,716 15 4	£16,379 7 3	£18,716 15 4	£16,379 7 3

ABSTRACT No. 1.

June half-year, 1911.	Traffic Expenses.	June half-year, 1912.
£3,595 9 11	Wages	£3,471 14 4
505 8 6	Gas	470 11 3
20 9 1	Water	13 17 10
186 3 5	Stores and Clothing	155 1 11
102 12 4	Printing and Stationery	72 11 5
30 0 10	Tickets	28 5 11
249 16 0	Maintaining Telegraphs	246 17 9
37 11 1	Advertising	30 14 10
13 9 10	Sundries	13 6 7
£4,741 1 0		£4,503 1 10

ABSTRACT No. 2.

June half-year, 1911.	General Charges.	June half-year, 1912.
£700 0 0	Committee's Remuneration	£700 0 0
19 17 3	Printing and Stationery	35 0 10
603 7 3	Salaries—Secretary and Clerks (including Minute 3040)	701 5 0
174 13 4	Office Expenses—Rent, Gas, Cleaning, Postage, and Petty Disbursements	153 11 9
15 7 9	Fire Insurance	15 7 9
3 1 8	Guarantee Premiums	3 0 0
20 10 1	Superannuation Contributions	20 9 5
15 15 0	Auditors' Fee	15 15 0
293 8 5	Railway Clearing House Expenses	262 10 11
£1,846 0 9		£1,907 0 8

3075. Electrification.—Finance (3059).

REPORTED—

That the total of cheques signed to date, on account of the Electrification Account, amounted to £24,244. 10s. 7d., for contractors' work, materials, permanent way, etc.

3076. Electrification.—Capital Expenditure (G.E. Act, 1912, Sec. 51, p. 46).

RESOLVED—

That the question of raising the Debenture Stock for the expenditure in connection with the electrification of East London Railway is referred to the General Managers for report.

3077. Electrification.—Fencing Land at Deptford.

REPORTED—

That a complicated question had arisen with respect to the fencing in of a large piece of land south of Deptford Road Junction.

RESOLVED—

That this matter is referred to the General Managers for report.

3078. Electrification.—Tenders (3054).

REPORTED—

That since last Committee Meeting, Tenders for the Sub-Station at Deptford Road Junction, had been opened by Sir Ailwyn Fellows, and the lowest, £3,376, from Holliday & Greenwood, Ltd., accepted, after approval by the Engineer.

That Tenders for "Pumping Plant" had been opened by the Chairman, and the lowest (a) £1,084, (b) £756, from Messrs. Tangy's, Ltd., marked for approval, subject to the Engineer's report on the conversion of the "Pumping Plant" being approved by the Committee.

APPROVED.

3079. Electrification.—Works (3055).

Progress was reported as under:—

MR. COOPER reports:—

Sub-Station Building.—The foundations of the building and the rotaries have been completed, and the side walls erected to a height of about 5 ft. above ground level.

Sub-Station Equipment.—The machinery and switchboards have been inspected at the works, and certain of the machines have already been tested. Delivery of the plant will be arranged for shortly.

Cable Brackets and Ducts.—This contract has been completed.

High Tension Cables.—The high tension cable has been inspected and tested at the works, and the laying of the cable is nearing completion.

Sub-Station Crane and Machinery for supplying Current to the Signals.—Work is nearing completion and delivery will be arranged when required.

MR. WILLOX reports:—

That the work of laying the electrified road is proceeding in a satisfactory manner, about 5,250 yards of double track, amounting to about 60 %, having been laid. The whole of the work can be finished before the end of the year if possession can be got of the portions of the L.B. & S.C. and S.E. & C. Cos.' properties.

Signalling.—This is well in hand and should be finished by Christmas, but it cannot be brought into use until the Sub-Stations are ready to provide the current.

MR. TEMPEST reports:—

The work in connection with the permanent way is practically complete, with the exception of some alterations to cross-over roads and the connecting up of St. Mary's Junction to the District Line.

The ballasting work is almost completed.

The points and crossings of the new junctions, etc., have been put in.

As regards signalling, the new cabins at Whitechapel, Surrey Docks and Deptford Road Junction have been erected, and the work of fixing the mechanical frames, running new rodding, etc., is well forward.

The work of putting a third suction pipe to the Thames Tunnel pumps to replace the suction pipe it was necessary to remove to allow of the new cables being inserted is in hand.

The alterations to the gas services at the stations are practically complete.

The conductor rails, bonds, insulators, etc., have been delivered on the line to the contractor, who has laid the rails and insulators throughout the greater part of the line.

3080. Electrification.—Pumping Plant (2979 and last line 3032).

SUBMITTED Engineers' report:—

Referring to Minute No. 2979, we now beg to report for the information of the East London Joint Committee on the replacement of the existing steam pumps on the East London Railway with electrically worked ones.

At the present time there is a steam pumping plant situated at the Rotherhithe end of the Thames Tunnel, and a second one of somewhat smaller capacity at Deptford Road. We recommend that both of these installations be replaced by electrically worked pumps at an estimated cost of £5,000.

The cost of working and maintaining the existing pumps is about £1,400 per annum; the cost of maintaining and operating the electrically worked pumps we estimate at about £700 per annum. Allowing for interest at 4% on the £5,000 expenditure, a nett saving is therefore shown of £500 per annum.

We consider it essential for a supply of electrical energy quite apart from the "Railway Companies'" supply to be provided. The London Electric Supply Corporation are prepared to enter into an Agreement to provide such supply at a cost of 1d. per unit, such supply to be not less than 50,000 units per annum, and in estimating the operating costs of electrical installation this feature has been taken into account. We therefore recommend that this Agreement shall be entered into.

Three tenders have been obtained for the supply of the pumps required for both installations, viz:—

Messrs. Tangyes	...	...	...	...	£1,840
Worthington Pump Co.	...	...	...	...	£2,062
Messrs. Evans	...	...	...	...	£2,162

We beg to recommend that the lowest, that of Messrs. Tangye, shall be passed over in favour of the Worthington Pump Company, as we consider that their pumps are better suited for the particular conditions existing on the East London Railway.

(Signed) { ARTHUR R. COOPER.
P. C. TEMPEST.
WM. WILLOX.

RESOLVED—

That the Engineers' recommendation of the acceptance of the tender by the Worthington Pump Company is approved, subject to approval of the whole scheme by the General Managers. The work to be proceeded with if approved by them.

3081. Electrification.—Lighting of Stations.

SUBMITTED Engineers' report on lighting of East London Stations from the track :—

In reply to your enquiry of 9th inst., we estimate the cost of electrically lighting the six stations of the East London Railway at £1,700. This figure provides for the station lighting being obtained off the current rails, with the provision of illuminated advertising signs at top stations.

(Signed) { ARTHUR R. COOPER.
P. C. TEMPEST.
WM. WILLOX.

RESOLVED—

That this is referred to the General Managers, and if approved by them the work to proceed.

3082. Electrification.—Contract for Current (3058).

REPORTED—

That the General Managers had met and dealt with this subject, and that the matter was now in the hands of the Solicitors concerned in preparing the contract.

The South Eastern and Brighton Companies stated that they required a proviso in Clause 3 on the point of "Freight Service" not being worked electrically to them without their consent. The Great Eastern Company admitted the principle, and the wording was left to be arranged between the Companies named.

3083. Electrification.—Construction of Works on Property of Lessees (G.E. Act, 1912, sec. 46, p. 38).

The necessity for the prompt agreement of the conditions under which these are to be carried out was mentioned, and the Brighton Company submitted theirs, as under, the South Eastern Company stating that theirs were practically the same.

Brighton Company's Conditions.

(1.) Any works constructed upon the property of this Company to be so constructed and to be maintained by and at the cost of the Joint Committee, and in accordance with the plans and specifications previously approved.

(2.) The Joint Committee to pay to this Company the reasonable expense of lighting, watching and supervision.

(3.) The Joint Committee not to in any way obstruct or interfere with the free, uninterrupted and safe user of the railways and works of this Company, and to make good all losses, damages and expenses which may be in any way occasioned to this Company, or to any Company or person using their railways, works, and property by reason of the execution or failure of any of the works of the Joint Committee.

(4.) This Company to be at liberty to cable or otherwise alter their electrical, telegraphic, telephonic, or signal wires or apparatus as they may think advisable at the expense of the Joint Committee if any interference shall be occasioned to such wires or apparatus or the currents therein.

(5.) The Joint Committee from time to time to pay to this Company any additional expense which this Company may incur in effecting any repair, renewal, widening, alteration, or extension of their railways and works by reason of the construction or existence of any of the works of the Joint Committee upon their property.

(6.) The Joint Committee on or before the expiration of 14 days' notice by this Company to divert or alter the level or position of any works constructed on the property of this Company, so as to admit of any repairs, renewals, widenings, alterations, or extensions of the railways and works of this Company which they may think necessary or advisable, this Company in such a case not to be liable to pay the costs of such diversion or alteration, or to pay any compensation in respect thereof.

(7.) The Joint Committee, upon request by this Company, to cut off the electric current from the electric rails or apparatus upon the property of this Company in order to enable any works of maintenance or repair to be carried out on the lines of railway of this Company upon which any works have been constructed by the Joint Committee, or on the railways and works of this Company in proximity thereto.

RESOLVED—

That this is referred to the General Managers, with power to act.

3084. Electrification.—Sub-station Site at Deptford Road Junction (3014).

SUBMITTED letter from Messrs. Bristows with draft of the proposed lease to the six Companies of this site, suggesting that copies should be sent to the Solicitors of the various Companies for approval.

APPROVED.

3085. National Health Insurance Act, 1911 (3060).

REPORTED—

That the National Health Commission had issued a certificate of "exception" in favour of the Clerical Staff of the Committee belonging to the Railway Clearing Superannuation, in accordance with Minute 3060.

3086. Claims (3061).

REPORTED—

That the case of F. Featherstone was re-tried on 26th July last, when a verdict was returned in favour of the Committee.

Read Messrs. Bristows' reports on claims pending :—

MRS. BARNETT'S CLAIM.

In this case a Mrs. Rachael Barnett had her right thumb crushed and her arm bruised by being pinched in the hinge side of the door of the railway carriage in which she was travelling.

She has commenced an action in the Mayor's Court, claiming £15 by way of damages for personal injuries, and the action is set down for trial and will, unless the claim is settled, come on for hearing about the 24th instant.

We have advised a settlement of this claim on the ground that a jury will probably find that the accident was due to negligence on the part of the Committee's servants in allowing the train to leave the station with the door of the compartment unfastened.

We anticipate being able to settle the claim, including costs, for about £10.

(Received to-day report that they had settled for £10 without waiting the Committee's decision, as the case was down for hearing to-morrow).

APPROVED.

MRS. GOSBY'S CLAIM.

In this case the claimant, a Mrs. Sarah Gosby, claims and has instituted proceedings to recover £50 as compensation for injuries received in alighting from a L.B. & S.C. train at Shadwell Station at 11.47 p.m. on Tuesday, the 13th August last.

The plaintiff and her husband are street musicians, the plaintiff being blind.

Assuming the statements of the porter and guard to be borne out in evidence, there is no negligence disclosed on the part of the Committee's servants, but the accident appears to have been due solely to the action of the claimant in attempting to alight from the train when in motion and the claim should be successfully resisted.

RESOLVED—

That this case be settled, if it can be done reasonably, otherwise to contest it. This being left to the discretion of the Solicitors.

CLAIM OF C. B. STEDMAN.

The claimant was from the 26th January, 1910, to November, 1911, in the service of the Committee as a porter at Wapping Station, his wages being 17/- per week.

On or about the 9th November, 1911, he alleges that he was standing on a stool (at Wapping Station), which overbalanced and threw him down with his right leg under him.

Legal proceedings to enforce the claim have not yet been commenced as the Claimant's advisers are waiting to hear whether the Committee admit liability.

At this stage we do not recommend that liability be admitted, as further particulars of the alleged fall will have to be given by the claimant before it can be decided whether the accident arose out of his employment. There is also a question whether the claim for compensation was made within the time limited by the Workmen's Compensation Act. Further, the claimant's statements with regard to the alleged accident have varied and at present are uncorroborated.

RESOLVED—

Recommendation approved, and to await further report from the Solicitors.

3087. Accidents.—

Accidents to Staff.

REPORTED—

That the labourer (Pocknell) whose accident on 20th June last was reported in Minute 3052 of 10th July has lost his eye, and is in receipt of half-pay.

REPORTED—

That on 10th July last a labourer (Lewis) engaged on building platelayers' hut had an arm poisoned by a splinter of wood. No claim.

REPORTED to Board of Trade.

Accident to Train.

REPORTED—

That on October 12th four vehicles of the Brighton Co.'s 10.36 p.m. train ex Shoreditch were derailed at E. L. Down Junction at New Cross, L.B. & S.C.R., in a sudden dense fog, caused by signalman transgressing Rule 85. Only slight damage to vehicles and permanent way, and no complaints of injury received from passengers or staff.

REPORTED to Board of Trade.

3088. Prosecution.

REPORTED—

That a passenger was convicted of assault on Staff and fined 20/- and 10/- costs in each of two cases, total £3.

3089. Meetings, 1912 and 1913.

The following dates were fixed for the Committee's meetings in 1912 and 1913:—

December 11th, 1912,
February 12th, 1913,
April 16th,
July 9th,
October 22nd,
December 10th,

being Wednesdays, at 2.30 p.m.

The Chairman of the last meeting to call an interim meeting if it is considered necessary.

3090. Traffic Receipts.

Submitted the following figures of Committee's earnings rendered by Railway Clearing House:—

May, 1912.		May, 1911.	
Passengers:—Local	£1,371 10 9	£1,600 2 11	
Through	550 7 9	740 8 9	
	<u>£1,921 18 6</u>	<u>£2,340 11 8</u>	
Parcels, "H. C. and D."	88 15 0	111 3 0	
Goods and Live Stock	990 7 3	771 16 4	
	<u>£3,001 0 9</u>	<u>£3,223 11 0</u>	
In addition—Coal Account, £103	6 0	In addition—Coal Account, £150	14 3
June, 1912.		June, 1911.	
Passengers:—Local	£1,349 5 7	£1,530 14 4	
Through	583 6 2	841 4 6	
	<u>£1,932 11 9</u>	<u>£2,371 18 10</u>	
Parcels, "H. C. and D."	102 15 1	94 12 10	
Goods and Live Stock	971 17 8	693 17 2	
	<u>£3,007 4 6</u>	<u>£3,160 8 10</u>	
In addition—Coal Account, £133	8 0	In addition—Coal Account, £120	1 11
July, 1912.		July, 1911.	
Passengers:—Local	£1,650 5 3	£1,520 8 2	
Through	791 5 1	768 0 6	
	<u>£2,441 10 4</u>	<u>£2,288 8 8</u>	
Parcels, "H. C. and D."	91 0 6	110 15 5	
Goods and Live Stock	975 12 9	610 7 5	
	<u>£3,508 3 7</u>	<u>£3,009 11 6</u>	
In addition—Coal Account, £181	15 1	In addition—Coal Account, £141	4 8

3091. Claims of Lessee Companies against Committee.

Submitted the following Statement:—

	£	s.	d.
Brighton Company—Running Expenses, July, August and September, and Junctions	2,653	6	10
South Eastern Company—Disbursements to 21st September, and running July, August and September	4,270	19	3
Great Eastern Company—Running Expenses, July, August and September	726	18	11
	<u>£7,651</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>

Resolved—

That these claims be paid in full, subject, in the case of the South Eastern Company's claim, to the audit of the Brighton Company.

3092. Bankers' Pass Books Submitted, with Bankers' Statement, showing credit balances to date:—

Deposit Account	£6,000	0s.	0d.
Current "	£2,673	14s.	11d.

3093. Cheques Signed for £9,504. 11s. 8d., Cheques for £16,749. 9s. 1d. (Wages, Rates, Gas, Rent of Line, &c.) reported signed since last meeting.

3094. Return of Receipts and Passengers.

SUBMITTED the following Statements:—

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR JULY, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH JULY, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & B. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	July, 1912.	July, 1911.
New Cross, S.E.R.	£ s. d. 175 11 3	£ s. d. ...	£ s. d. ...	£ s. d. 49 16 7	£ s. d. 5 19 0	£ s. d. 3 18 4	£ s. d. 18 0 10	£ s. d. 7 15 10	£ s. d. 261 1 10	£ s. d. 315 12 8
Do. L.B.S.C.	404 14 9	...	...	17 12 3	3 12 11	6 10 6	82 5 0	211 11 11	726 7 4	761 6 7
Surrey Docks .	309 19 4	43 11 5	18 14 0	70 14 3	17 10 4	32 5 9	49 16 4	56 15 0	599 6 5	714 6 0
Rotherhithe .	105 16 1	25 11 0	25 4 9	27 6 0	12 14 0	38 7 5	20 0 4	22 0 8	277 0 3	254 3 1
Wapping .	84 10 0	5 4 9	5 17 2	11 19 4	9 10 5	12 14 3	10 7 4	3 3 7	143 6 10	138 16 11
Shadwell .	156 19 3	115 6 11	13 9 4	5 9 0	1 19 2	8 2 11	1 13 10	23 19 9	327 0 2	391 16 1
Whitechapel .	352 14 4	89 16 8	11 4 6	...	...	...	...	...	0 13 1	454 8 7
Shoreditch .	144 12 2	59 9 0	0 10 6	0 1 1	0 1 8	0 4 2	1 1 7	3 17 10	209 18 0	176 4 9
Totals, July, 1912	1,734 17 2	338 19 9	75 0 3	182 18 6	51 7 6	102 3 4	183 5 3	329 17 8	2,998 9 5	...
Do. July, 1911	1,602 15 6	464 17 4	72 5 7	215 0 1	57 9 10	72 0 2	200 16 4	420 16 9	...	3,106 1 7

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR AUGUST, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH AUGUST, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & B. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	August, 1912.	August, 1911.
New Cross, S.E.R.	£ s. d. 158 4 9	£ s. d. ...	£ s. d. ...	£ s. d. 67 11 9	£ s. d. 6 11 9	£ s. d. 4 16 11	£ s. d. 18 15 1	£ s. d. 7 11 2	£ s. d. 263 11 5	£ s. d. 293 9 8
Do. L.B.S.C.	315 12 11	...	...	21 8 4	3 15 5	8 10 3	107 1 3	345 16 10	802 5 0	823 15 11
Surrey Docks .	303 10 4	54 0 0	25 9 6	69 19 7	15 14 10	28 2 9	75 14 1	99 8 7	671 19 8	729 16 5
Rotherhithe .	112 18 4	12 6 6	9 18 1	30 12 9	12 19 8	14 17 9	20 9 0	40 4 11	254 7 0	251 19 3
Wapping .	92 7 1	5 8 4	5 13 2	13 14 4	7 14 8	11 4 6	6 4 2	5 5 8	147 11 11	138 0 0
Shadwell .	183 10 9	45 19 0	23 6 3	9 15 6	2 13 8	13 6 3	2 1 4	23 19 7	304 12 4	353 5 9
Whitechapel .	246 16 11	96 9 3	13 17 3	...	...	...	...	3 14 3	360 17 8	403 1 6
Shoreditch .	83 6 8	30 6 3	1 12 3	0 19 7	0 5 1	0 6 6	1 8 4	1 8 3	119 12 11	127 17 7
Totals, Aug., 1912	1,496 7 9	244 9 4	79 16 6	214 1 10	49 15 1	81 4 11	231 13 3	527 9 3	2,924 17 11	...
Do. Aug., 1911	1,408 7 11	356 5 1	165 16 11	234 16 3	54 10 8	70 15 0	242 11 1	588 3 2	...	3,121 6 1

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR SEPTEMBER, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH SEPTEMBER, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & B. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	September, 1912.	September, 1911.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New Cross, S.E.R.	190 5 8	...	...	59 19 6	5 19 8	2 19 4	17 1 6	7 4 2	283 9 10	319 12 7
Do. L.B.S.C.	318 8 10	...	...	13 17 4	4 7 8	4 11 6	50 0 11	103 3 2	494 9 5	557 3 11
Surrey Docks	304 3 9	27 9 10	24 0 4	54 16 2	12 8 2	23 3 0	45 7 6	34 14 8	526 3 5	598 8 4
Rotherhithe	108 9 3	9 13 9	18 15 9	24 16 7	11 18 9	14 14 10	14 4 2	13 3 5	215 16 6	218 16 7
Wapping	90 9 6	3 9 11	18 14 10	9 14 4	6 11 10	10 3 5	5 11 1	1 18 1	146 13 0	143 18 7
Shadwell	223 2 3	20 2 6	48 3 10	5 8 8	2 9 6	7 7 3	1 14 0	13 4 8	321 12 8	329 16 11
Whitechapel	263 18 9	42 8 10	11 19 1	...	...	...	...	3 0 5	321 7 1	347 13 2
Shoreditch	79 17 0	7 8 3	1 1 6	0 2 5	0 4 8	0 11 10	0 13 5	2 11 9	92 10 10	107 7 2
Totals, Sept., 1912	1,578 15 0	110 13 1	122 15 4	168 15 0	44 0 3	63 11 2	134 12 7	179 0 4	2,462 2 9	...
Do. Sept., 1911	1,608 9 0	187 7 8	99 19 1	262 16 7	54 16 10	73 15 2	126 19 9	269 13 2	...	2,613 17 3

NUMBER of Passengers booked to, from, and over the East London Line for the months of March, April, May, June, July and August, 1912.

From	To and over	March, 1912.	April, 1912.	May, 1912.	June, 1912.	July, 1912.	August, 1912.	Six Months' Totals.	Corresponding Totals.
East London Line	Brighton Line	1,867	4,478	4,509	4,360	10,492	6,516	32,222	87,787
"	South Eastern Line	1,079	1,498	2,156	2,202	3,015	2,087	12,037	13,921
"	Metropolitan	8,340	7,596	10,266	12,581	12,969	14,348	66,100	85,919
"	City Lines	5,083	4,034	5,618	5,835	5,974	5,775	32,319	42,635
"	District Line	3,590	3,271	3,968	5,178	5,826	4,505	26,338	29,819
"	W. & B. ; & L. T. & S.	4,495	4,346	5,105	5,076	5,933	6,860	31,815	34,358
"	Great Eastern Line	4,210	5,071	5,639	5,230	7,496	8,617	36,263	42,936
Brighton	East London	3,608	7,230	5,631	8,973	14,672	6,815	46,929	69,274
South Eastern	"	1,132	1,171	1,613	3,087	2,282	2,881	12,166	12,028
Metropolitan	"	6,676	5,820	6,988	9,796	17,480	10,469	57,229	55,976
City Lines	"	4,789	3,583	4,603	6,938	11,343	5,516	36,772	37,715
District Line	"	3,465	3,024	3,509	5,625	9,501	4,902	30,027	24,801
W. & B. ; & L. T. & S.	"	20,328	18,040	20,300	16,503	19,713	25,059	119,943	121,967
Great Eastern Line	"	5,595	5,092	5,703	10,887	31,387	10,096	68,760	89,409
Totals of Through		74,258	74,254	85,608	102,271	158,083	114,446	608,920	748,545
East London Local		225,052	205,628	237,844	232,340	307,007	255,671	1,463,542	1,587,209
Return Tickets are doubled.									
Totals		299,310	279,882	323,452	334,611	465,090	370,117	2,072,462	...
Corresponding Totals 1911		395,301	378,145	411,535	390,796	403,540	356,587	...	2,385,854

EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE.

MEETING :

CANNON STREET HOTEL, LONDON, 11th December, 1912.

PRESENT :

BRIGHTON COMPANY	.	THE RIGHT HON. LORD COTTESLOE. REAR-ADMIRAL THE HON. THOS. S. BRAND. MR. VIVIAN ROSE.
CHATHAM	" . .	MR. F. H. DENT.
DISTRICT	" . .	ERNEST LAW, ESQ. MURRAY GRIFFITH, ESQ.
EAST LONDON	" . .	THE RT. HON. LORD AVEBURY. WM. MILLWOOD, ESQ. MR. LACEY.
GREAT EASTERN	" . .	LORD CLAUD J. HAMILTON, M.P. MR. W. H. HYDE.
METROPOLITAN	" . .	MR. SELBIE.
SOUTH EASTERN	" . .	SIR FREDK. HARRISON. WM. MEWBURN, ESQ. MR. F. H. DENT.

IN ATTENDANCE :

MR. PARSONS, *Secretary and Manager.*

LORD CLAUD J. HAMILTON, M.P., *in the Chair.*

3095. Minutes.

THE MINUTES of the Committee's Meeting of the 23rd October last, having been printed and circulated, were declared correct, and were signed.

3096. Parliamentary Solicitor (2990).

RESOLVED—

That Mr. J. G. Bristow be Parliamentary Solicitor to the Committee for the ensuing session.

3097. Passenger Train Running Expenses (2991).

RESOLVED—

That the rate paid during 1912, 1s. 5d. per train mile for trains worked by steam, continue in force until 31st December, 1913.

3098. Goods, Minerals and Live Stock Tolls (2992).

RESOLVED—

That the tolls for the year 1913 be the same as those operating to 31st inst.

3099. Passenger Traffic Division (2993).

RESOLVED—

That the division in force for the year 1912 be continued for the year 1913.

3100. Parcels, H.C. and D., etc., Division (2994).

RESOLVED—

That the division in force for the year 1913 be the same as that for 1912.

3101. Division of Responsibility under Lease (3074).

SUBMITTED agreements from all Companies to the figures for half-year ending 30th June, 1912.

3102. Electrification Finance (3075).

REPORTED—

That the total of cheques signed to date, on account of the Electrification Account, amounted to £33,033 19s. 10d. for Contractors' work, materials, permanent way, signalling, sub-station, etc.

SUBMITTED statement of position to date :—

Appended to Engineers' report submitted at Managers' meeting of 19th February, 1913, is statement showing the differences between the estimates submitted at Joint Committee meeting of 24th July, 1911 (Minute 2970), and the actual figures from tenders, &c. Omitting the figures for the new station, which has since been deferred, the result to 19th February, 1912, was as under :—

	Original Estimate.	Actual Tenders, &c.
	£	£
	55,420	57,339
Contingencies ...	4,080	2,161
	<u>£59,500</u>	<u>£59,500</u>

Estimates for the following expenditure have since been sanctioned :—

Law charges ...	£500
Raising of E.L. Platforms ...	412
New Cross S.E. & C. Station and platforms ...	1,090
Do. do. shifting of structures ...	110
Electric lighting of Stations (Minute 4, Managers' meeting, 11/11/12) ...	1,700
Land for Sub station ...	375
	<u>£4,187</u>

Estimates pending Committee's decision :—

Fencing at Deptford ...	300
New Cross L.B. & S.C. platform ...	1,500
Metallic circuiting £2,750, less £1,850 included in original estimate ...	900
	<u>£6,887</u>

ELECTRICAL PUMPING PLANT SANCTIONED ... £5,000

It is estimated that there will be a probable saving of £1,500 on the Low Tension Cable expenditure, and about £1,300 on the Sub-Station cost as included 19th February, 1912, together ... £2,800

Against the above there is an over-expenditure in respect of Ballasting, Permanent Way, Handling Materials, etc., etc., of ... £1,876

Nett result of above figures £68,302.

3103. Electrification—Capital Expenditure (G.E. Act, 1912, S. 51, p. 46), (3076).

The General Managers' recommendation—

"That the matter be left in the hands of the Great Eastern Company to create and issue the Debenture 'Stock' as and when they consider it desirable to do so."

WAS APPROVED.

(See No. 1 in Appendix).

3104. Electrification—Fencing Land at Deptford (3077).

The General Managers' recommendation not to move in this matter at present

WAS APPROVED.

(See No. 2 in Appendix).

3105. Electrification—Works (3079).

Reports of progress were read as follow—

From Mr. A. R. COOPER—

In reply to your enquiry of the 2nd instant, I beg to inform you that I have talked over the progress of the electrification works on the East London Line with Messrs. Tempest and Willox, and we are of opinion that the Railway will be ready for electrical working by March 1st, 1913.

From Mr. A. R. COOPER—

I beg to report for the information of the Joint Committee the progress of works on the under-mentioned contracts, viz :—

Sub-Station Building.—This building is now complete up to roof level, and the roof itself is being erected.

Sub-Station Equipment.—All machinery has been inspected at the maker's works, and delivery has been arranged for to commence at the end of this month.

High Tension Cables.—The high tension cables have now been laid throughout the Railway, and all works in connection therewith have been completed.

Electrical Pumping.—Details of the scheme have now been prepared, and the manufacture of the pumps has been started upon.

From Mr. W. WILLOX—

I beg to report for the information of the Committee that the work of laying the electrified road is completed with the exception of the portions on the L.B. & S.C. and S.E. & C. Co.'s properties, and this latter can be done immediately the work of raising the platforms at the New Cross Stations is completed.

Signalling.—This work is well in hand. All the cabling has been run and in position, and most of the apparatus required is on the ground.

So far as I can foresee the line will be ready for opening by March 1st next.

From Mr. P. C. TEMPEST—

I beg to say that progress has been made with the electrification work as follows:—

Permanent Way.—Very little work remains to be done in this connection, and the only matters now needing attention are the Permanent Way in New Cross Station and the removal of a crossover road at Shoreditch, which work must be left till the last so that the Brighton Company's Engines can run round their trains.

Ballasting.—With the exception of ballasting at Deptford Road Junction and a little at New Cross, the work is completed.

Points and Crossings.—This work is completed.

Pumps in Thames Tunnel and at Deptford Road.—The work of installing electric pumps in lieu of the steam plant has been sanctioned, but the work cannot be ready in time for the opening of the electric lines.

3106. Electrification—Pumping Plant (3080).

The decision of the General Managers that Messrs. Worthingtons' tender be accepted and the work proceeded with

WAS APPROVED.

(See No. 3 in Appendix).

3107. Electrification—Lighting of Stations (3081).

The General Managers' decision that this work should be carried out
WAS APPROVED.

(See No. 4 in Appendix.)

3108. Electrification—Contract for Current (3082).

REPORTED by Messrs. Bristows that the contract for Current has now been finally settled, subject only to the approval of the General Managers, that Messrs. Baxter & Co. are now making reprints which will probably be received in a few days and a copy will then be sent to each of the General Managers for final approval.

RESOLVED—

That the Secretary is authorised to sign on behalf of the Committee the Contract for Current after approval by the General Managers.

3109. Electrification—Construction of Works on Property of Lessees (G.E. Act, 1912, S. 46, p. 38), (3083).

REPORTED that the General Managers had agreed the conditions for the agreements as to works carried out on property of Lessees, see No. 5 in Appendix.

APPROVED.

RESOLVED—

That the Secretary is authorised to sign on behalf of the Committee the agreements referred to with the Brighton Co., the South Eastern and Chatham Companies Managing Committee, and the Metropolitan Company, when such agreements have been approved by the General Managers.

3110. Electrification—Plans for Alterations at New Cross, S.E. & C. and L.B. & S.C. Stations.

ALTERATIONS AT NEW CROSS, S.E. & C.

It having been reported that certain structures required removal on account of E.L. Electrification at an estimated cost of £110, the General Managers had considered the matter and all Companies had agreed that the work should be carried out.

APPROVED.

A plan for necessary alterations to station and platform on account of E.L. Electrification having been submitted, at an estimated cost of £1,090, the General Managers had given considerable attention to this, and after referring back and reconsideration, all Companies had agreed that this work should proceed in its entirety.

APPROVED.

ALTERATIONS AT NEW CROSS, L.B. & S.C.

REPORTED :—

That the Brighton Co. had submitted plan for alterations at their New Cross Station, at a rough estimate of £1,500, and that this subject is receiving the attention of the General Managers.

RESOLVED :—

That this matter is left in the hands of the General Managers with power to act.

METALLIC RETURNS FOR TELEGRAPHS.

REPORTED :—

That in the original estimate of Messrs. Firth and Jones this was entered at £1,000, but in the estimate of July, 1911, was given as £1,850.

The following estimates have now been presented as necessary :—

MAKING METALLIC CIRCUITS—									
No. 1 on S.E. & C.	£1,600
" 2 on E.L.	550
" 3 on L.B. & S.C.	600
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									£2,750

in No. 1 only those G.P.O. wires maintained by S.E. & C. are included, and in Nos. 2 and 3 nothing is included for G.P.O. wires.

RESOLVED :—

That the above is referred to Messrs. Firth and Jones with access to such papers and plans as may be necessary and they are authorised to check the estimates in conjunction with the Engineers and requested to report thereon. On receipt of their report it is referred to the General Managers with power to act.

3111. Claim (3086).

GOSBY'S CLAIM.

REPORTED—

That in this case Plaintiff claimed £50 damages, and Messrs. Bristows had settled for £11 in full discharge for damages and costs.

3112. Accidents.

REPORTED—

That on 23rd October a foreman slipped when changing position in Thames Tunnel, injuring shin of leg, blood-poisoning supervening.

No CLAIM.

That on 20th November a labourer employed in trolleying had right foot run over.

No CLAIM.

That on 28th November a Contractor's man was employed at Whitechapel Junction laying conductor rails, and knocked down by engine of passing train, leg injured.

No CLAIM.

The above-mentioned were reported to Board of Trade.

3113. Prosecution.

REPORTED—

That on 27th November a passenger was convicted of fraudulent travelling and fined 30s. and 21s. costs.

3114. Meetings, 1913.

The following dates were fixed for the Committee's meetings in 1913:—

February 12th.
April 16th.
July 9th.
October 22nd.
December 10th.

being Wednesdays, at 2.30 p.m.

The Chairman of the last meeting to call an interim meeting if it is considered necessary.

3115. Traffic Receipts.

SUBMITTED the following figures of Committee's earnings rendered by Railway Clearing House:—

August, 1912.		
Passengers:—Local	£1,424 12 1	
Through	690 6 2	
	<hr/>	£2,114 18 3
Parcels, "H. C. and D." . . .	98 19 5	
Goods and Live Stock . . .	706 17 4	
	<hr/>	£2,920 15 0
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In addition—Coal Account, £154 13 8

September, 1912.		
Passengers:—Local	£1,528 16 5	
Through	588 15 1	
	<hr/>	£2,117 11 6
Parcels, "H. C. and D." . . .	86 17 11	
Goods and Live Stock . . .	818 14 9	
	<hr/>	£3,023 4 2
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In addition—Coal Account, £133 18 11

August, 1911.		
£1,316 15 0		
764 6 10		
<hr/>	£2,081 1 10	
	104 15 7	
	704 3 8	
	<hr/>	£2,890 1 1
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In addition—Coal Account, £178 12 0		

September, 1911.		
£1,540 0 4		
689 1 10		
<hr/>	£2,229 2 2	
	94 10 6	
	718 19 9	
	<hr/>	£3,042 12 5
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In addition—Coal Account, £192 11 6		

3116. Claims of Lessee Companies against Committee.

£ s. d.

SUBMITTED the following Statement:—

Brighton Company—Running Expenses, October and November, and Junctions	1,467	11	5
South Eastern Company—Disbursements to 16th November, and running October and November	2,719	5	6
Great Eastern Company—Running Expenses, October and November	466	15	1
	<u>£4,653</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>0</u>

RESOLVED—

That these claims be paid in full, subject, in the case of the South Eastern Company's claim, to the audit of the Brighton Company.

3117. Bankers' Pass Books SUBMITTED, with Bankers' Statement, showing credit balances to date:—

Deposit Account	£5,000	0s.	0d.
Current „	£1,991	14s.	1d.

3118. Cheques SIGNED for £7,561. 19s. 9d., Cheques for £971. 19s. 1d. (Wages, Rates, Gas, &c.) reported signed since last meeting.

3119. Traffic Receipts.

SUBMITTED the following figures of Committee's earnings rendered by Railway Clearing House:—

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR OCTOBER, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH OCTOBER, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO								TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & R. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	October, 1912.	October, 1911.
New Cross, S.E.R.	£ s. d. 175 19 2	£ s. d. ...	£ s. d. ...	£ s. d. 41 6 1	£ s. d. 7 6 0	£ s. d. 6 6 10	£ s. d. 17 0 0	£ s. d. 5 3 10	£ s. d. 253 1 11	£ s. d. 292 13 10
Do. L.B.S.C.	340 11 8	...	...	11 2 10	6 9 8	4 13 6	33 5 11	33 0 0	429 3 7	443 5 7
Surrey Docks	325 3 2	17 18 4	12 14 1	47 10 6	16 1 10	31 12 0	33 3 1	23 5 4	567 8 4	549 9 6
Rotherhithe	120 2 9	2 2 2	2 15 1	22 16 8	13 16 2	17 3 9	8 6 2	8 11 10	195 14 7	213 14 3
Wapping	99 1 6	3 2 5	1 15 10	9 14 6	8 4 0	11 11 2	5 6 3	1 3 4	139 19 0	138 15 7
Shadwell	228 1 4	10 3 6	7 2 7	3 19 7	2 1 2	5 18 6	1 13 8	11 8 0	270 8 4	306 17 8
Whitechapel	286 3 7	17 7 10	8 15 0	...	...	...	...	0 7 7	312 15 0	343 15 10
Shoreditch	88 14 5	4 8 10	0 7 6	0 3 0	0 4 1	0 4 10	0 14 3	0 4 5	93 1 4	112 18 4
Totals, Oct., 1912	1,661 17 7	55 3 1	33 11 1	136 13 2	64 2 11	77 10 7	99 9 4	83 4 4	2,201 12 1	...
Do. Oct., 1911	1,729 8 1	101 11 6	42 8 4	177 1 11	58 6 7	74 17 8	101 6 6	118 10 0	...	2,403 10 7

COACHING RECEIPTS FOR NOVEMBER, 1912, IN COMPARISON WITH NOVEMBER, 1911.

STATIONS.	BOOKINGS TO										TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
	East London Railway.	Brighton Railway.	South Eastern Railway.	Metropolitan Railway.	City Lines and Extensions.	District Railway.	W. & B. L. T. & S.	Great Eastern Railway.	November, 1912.	November, 1911.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New Cross, S.E.R.	163 16 7	...	...	39 5 7	6 15 4	4 18 4	15 15 4	5 13 1	236 4 4	277 0 11		
Do. L.B.S.C.	323 5 3	...	...	11 0 3	6 2 6	3 16 8	29 11 6	28 19 7	402 15 9	397 2 2		
Surrey Docks	308 7 4	14 19 4	10 10 0	46 4 0	17 14 6	25 13 2	34 10 7	23 17 10	481 16 9	509 17 11		
Rotherhithe	115 16 11	3 5 3	1 15 3	19 19 8	15 6 10	16 9 8	9 11 1	7 13 7	189 18 3	206 15 10		
Wapping	97 3 9	2 19 11	1 17 7	9 19 2	8 10 6	11 19 10	4 9 9	1 13 3	138 13 9	134 11 3		
Shadwell	220 8 1	10 6 6	5 19 3	2 8 3	1 15 5	4 18 10	1 12 5	12 1 6	259 10 3	251 16 4		
Whitechapel	273 8 1	12 18 6	6 0 11	...	...	...	...	0 9 8	292 17 2	311 3 3		
Shoreditch	87 18 5	4 1 6	0 11 3	0 2 8	0 3 6	0 3 4	0 12 7	0 2 5	93 15 8	101 5 10		
Totals, Nov., 1912	1,590 4 5	48 11 0	26 14 3	128 19 7	66 8 7	67 19 10	96 2 4	60 10 11	2,695 11 11	...		
Do. Nov., 1911	1,610 14 11	69 1 8	40 0 6	147 3 8	61 6 4	75 10 0	93 0 7	92 15 10	...	2,189 13 6		

NUMBER OF Passengers booked to, from, and over the East London Line for the months of May, June, July, August, September and October, 1912.

From	To and over	May, 1912.	June, 1912.	July, 1912.	August, 1912.	Sept., 1912.	October, 1912.	Six Months' Totals.	Corresponding Totals.
East London Line	Brighton Line	4,509	4,360	10,492	6,516	3,541	2,356	31,774	77,694
"	South Eastern Line	2,156	2,202	3,015	2,087	2,169	1,318	12,947	14,106
"	Metropolitan	10,266	12,581	12,969	14,348	11,432	10,359	71,955	85,604
"	City Lines	5,618	5,835	5,974	5,775	5,185	6,227	34,644	40,705
"	District Line	3,968	5,178	5,825	4,505	3,976	4,659	28,112	28,814
"	W. & B. & L. T. & S.	5,105	5,076	5,933	6,860	5,321	5,065	33,363	34,227
"	Great Eastern Line	5,639	5,230	7,496	8,617	4,875	4,162	36,019	42,896
Brighton	East London	5,631	8,973	14,672	6,815	4,841	5,528	46,460	50,417
South Eastern	"	1,613	3,087	2,282	2,881	1,895	1,422	13,180	12,537
Metropolitan	"	6,988	9,796	17,480	10,469	7,901	7,814	60,448	55,612
City Lines	"	4,603	6,938	11,343	5,516	4,998	5,836	32,334	37,004
District Line	"	3,509	5,625	9,501	4,902	4,328	4,563	32,428	25,967
W. & B. & L. T. & S.	"	20,300	16,503	19,713	25,059	25,557	30,286	137,418	127,591
Great Eastern Line	"	5,703	10,887	31,387	10,096	6,155	5,790	70,018	90,429
Totals of Through		85,608	102,271	158,083	114,446	92,177	95,415	648,000	723,693
East London Local		237,844	232,340	307,007	255,671	261,770	278,478	1,573,110	1,592,062
Return Tickets are doubled.									
Totals		323,452	334,611	465,090	370,117	353,947	373,893	2,221,110	...
Corresponding Totals 1911		411,535	390,792	403,540	356,537	367,894	385,453	...	2,315,765

APPENDIX.

MANAGERS' MEETING:

AT LIVERPOOL STREET STATION, AT 2.30 P.M., *Monday, 11th November, 1912.*

PRESENT:

BRIGHTON COMPANY	Mr. WM. FORBES.
	Mr. VIVIAN ROSE.
DISTRICT "	Mr. A. H. STANLEY.
GREAT EASTERN "	Mr. W. H. HYDE.
	Mr. PARKER.
METROPOLITAN "	Mr. R. H. SELBIE.
SOUTH EASTERN AND CHATHAM COMPANY	Mr. F. H. DENT.
	Mr. P. C. TEMPEST.
EAST LONDON RAILWAY JOINT COMMITTEE	Mr. W. H. PARSONS.

Mr. W. H. HYDE in the Chair.

1. Capital Expenditure (G.E. Act, 1912, S. 51, p. 46).

Reference of Minute 3076 of 23rd October.

RECOMMENDED—

That the matter be left in the hands of the Great Eastern Company to create and issue the Debenture Stock as and when they consider it desirable to do so.

2. Fencing Land at Deptford.

Reference of Minute 3077 of 23rd October.

The General Managers saw no reason for moving in this matter at present.

3. Pumping Plant.

Reference of Minute 3080 of 23rd October.

The following was read to the General Managers:—

"PUMPING.—EAST LONDON RAILWAY.

"In reply to your enquiry as to the need for a separate current supply being provided for pumping on the East London Railway:—

"The connections will be so arranged that current can be taken direct off the track rails or through a cable, which cable will be normally connected up to the separate source of supply (London Electric Supply Corporation), but can, if required, be connected up to the Surrey Docks Sub-Station.

"The pumps would be so run as to use the minimum amount of current required by the separate supply Company, the balance being taken from the Railway Company's supply, the cost of this current being naturally cheaper.

"As you are no doubt aware, flooding of the Thames Tunnel would take place if the pumps were shut down even for a few hours, and it is therefore essential that there should be two sources of supply, quite independent of each other.

"Yours truly,

"ARTHUR R. COOPER."

It was resolved that this matter is approved, that Messrs. Worthingtons' tender be accepted, and the work proceeded with.

4. Lighting of Stations.

Reference of Minute 3081 of 23rd October.

Mr. Selbie submitted the following estimate for the electric lighting as compared with gas:—

ESTIMATED COST OF ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION	£1,700
PRESENT COST OF GAS LIGHTING—	
Gas (say)	£830
Maintenance	80
	<u>£910</u>
ESTIMATED COST OF ELECTRIC LIGHT—	
Interest on outlay at 4%	£68
Lamps	100
Maintenance	50
Current	300
Maintenance of emergency gas services (say)	50
	<u>£568</u>

RESOLVED—

That the work be carried out.

5. Construction of works on property of Lessees (G.E. Act, 1912, S. 46, p. 38).

Reference of Minute 3083 of 23rd October.

The following conditions were agreed:—

The following conditions to apply to any works of electrification carried out by or on behalf of the East London Joint Committee on the property of the Company.

(1.) Any works constructed upon the property of the Company to be constructed and maintained by and at the cost of the Joint Committee, in accordance with the plans and specifications previously approved.

(2.) The Joint Committee to pay to the Company the reasonable expense of lighting, watching and supervision.

(3.) The Joint Committee not in any way to obstruct or interfere with the free, uninterrupted and safe user of the railways and works of the Company, and to make good all losses, damages and expenses which may be in any way occasioned to the Company, or to any Company or person lawfully using their railways, works, and property by reason of the execution or failure of any of the works of the Joint Committee.

(4.) Should there be any interference by reason of the Joint Committee's electrification works with the Company's electrical telegraphic, telephonic, or signal wires or apparatus, or the currents therein, the Company shall give notice thereof to the Joint Committee, and the Joint Committee shall, with all reasonable despatch, either alter their own works in such manner as to avoid the interference, or shall bear the expense of any alterations of the Company's works that may be necessary for such purpose as may be agreed.

(5.) The Joint Committee from time to time to pay to the Company any additional expense which the Company may incur in effecting any repair, renewal, widening, alteration or extension of their railways and works by reason of the construction or existence of any of the electrical works of the Joint Committee upon their property.

(6.) Should the Company require to carry out any repairs, renewals, widenings, alterations or extensions of their railways and works necessitating a diversion or alteration of the level or position of any of the electrification works constructed on their property, the Joint Committee shall, after reasonable notice from the Company requiring such diversion or alteration, carry out the same; the cost of such diversion or alteration to be borne by the Joint Committee.

(7.) Should the Company consider it necessary for the electric current to be cut off from any portion of their lines of railway as used by the Joint Committee in order to enable them to carry out work on such lines or on their lines adjoining, they shall give reasonable notice to the East London Joint Committee, and the latter shall cut off the current at such time and for such period as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose.

(8.) Should there be any difference between the Company and the Joint Committee in interpreting or giving effect to any of the above named matters, the question to be referred to arbitration in accordance with the provisions of Article 15 of the East London Agreement scheduled to the Great Eastern Railway Act, 1912.

Mr. Selbie stated that his Company would also require an agreement on these lines as regards the approach to the carriage shed at New Cross.

RESOLVED—

That the matter be placed in the hands of the Joint Committee's Solicitors to prepare the agreements.

6. Plan for Alterations at New Cross (S.E. & C.) Station.

This was considered, and after some discussion, was taken back by the South Eastern Co.'s Engineer to see if any reduction in the expense could be made.

Supply of Carriage Stock.

Mr. Selbie stated that an agreement would be necessary in connection with this matter.